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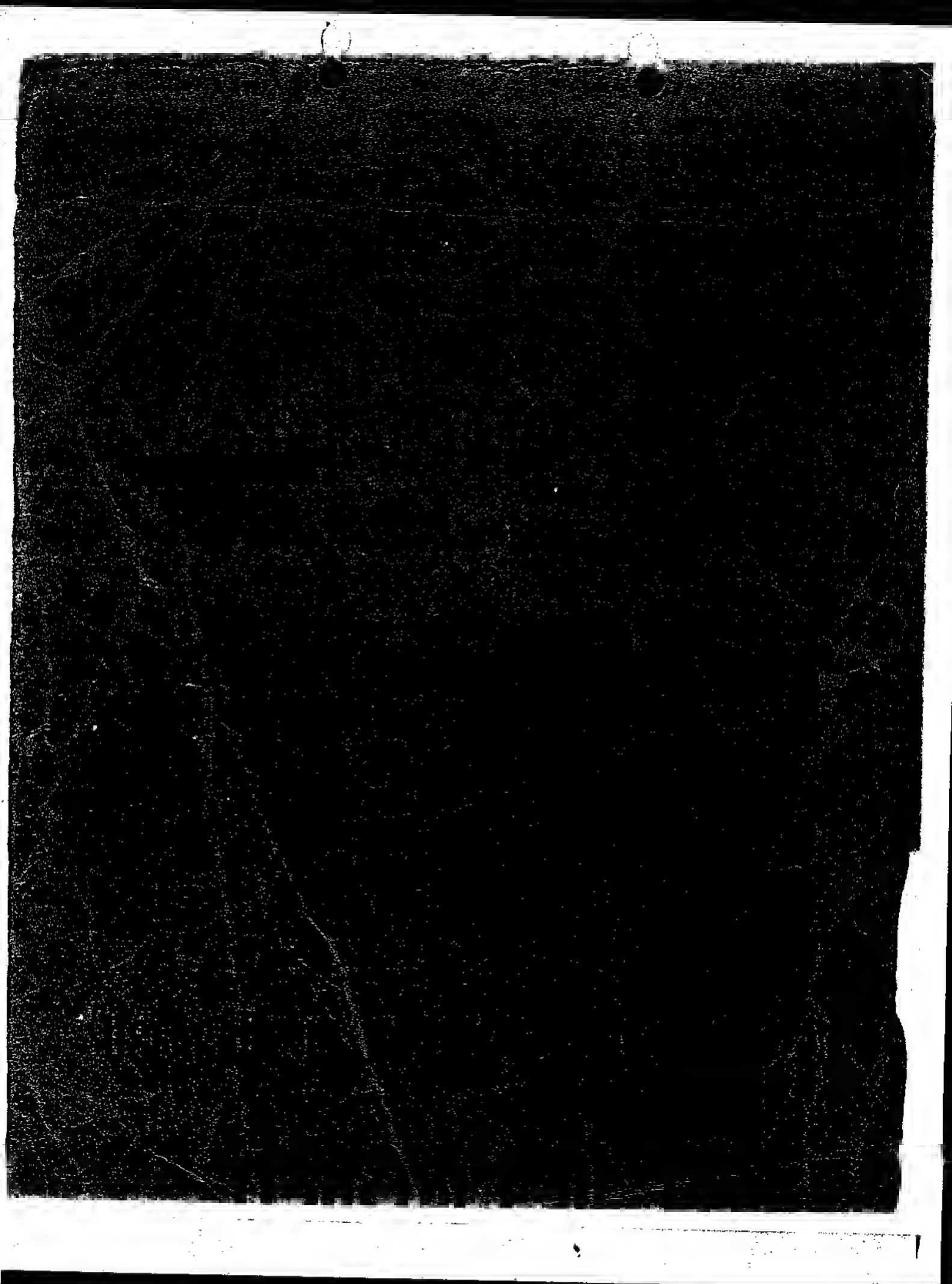
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Enclosed are two copies each of VVAW/WSO Newsletters #23 through 25 and two copies of the VVAW/WSO Chapter List, dated June, 1974. The above items were received from [REDACTED] during June, 1974, and appropriate dissemination has been made to interested offices for information and lead purposes.

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# NEWSLETTER

no 23



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## Newsletter -

Due to the National Steering Committee and the getting out of the minutes and catching up on letterwriting and distributing the newspaper and the stickers and posters for the demonstrations in Washington, we are sending out this abbreviated newsletter. The next regular newsletter will appear in two weeks. Hope you understand!!!

## Lawton/Gardner Up-Date

Enclosed with this mailing is a pamphlet entitled "The Case of Gary Lawton and Zurebu Gardner." This pamphlet was recently published by the National Office and is designed to serve as a comprehensive case history of the frame-up. It should not be used as a mass educational tool, but will serve as a good source for chapters doing propaganda and publicity work around the trial. We have some copies available, but if chapters are interested in ordering, try to keep your orders to a realistic assessment of what you can use and the nature of this pamphlet.

On Friday, April 19th, more than 100 Riverside community members jammed the courtroom to hear William Kunstler and Mark Rosenbaum (of ACLU) ask the court to drop all charges against Gary and Zurebu and to turn over to the defense all government evidence gained from "electronic surveillance" and illegal wiretaps. Kunstler argued that the charges against Lawton and Gardner be dropped, stating that another retrial would violate their constitutional right to equal protection under the law and due process on the basis of racial discrimination. He noted that retrials in cases of hung juries are scheduled almost exclusively for members of minority groups. In the written motion, the attorneys sighted the fact that charges against Lawton and Gardner have been unresolved for over two years. They also pointed to numerous changes in testimony of prosecution witnesses between the first and second trial.

Riverside Superior Court Judge Francis Estudillo delayed his decision on ordering the charges dismissed indefinitely, but set an April 26th date for his decision on the wiretap motion. These motions are very important to the freedom of Gary and Zurebu and it would be a major victory if the third trial is stopped before it begins. People should continue to write letters demanding that the charges be dropped to the three people listed on the back of the enclosed pamphlet. We will continue to do up-dates on the status of these motions, while continuing to demand that justice be done.

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### Build the Demo!!!

Enclosed in this mailing are a poster and sticker printed for use to build the Washington DC (July 1-4) demonstration. These are to be used by you to plaster up around town in order to help get the word out about the demonstration. The posters were done on newsprint and take very well to a little mixture of PET milk on the front and back. The stickers were made to print on both sides, therefore it is imperative that you apply a lot of water to the sticky side in order to insure that it will stay up. Because of the small size of the paper, we put our address on it. Several regions are going to make little stickies with their address to put next to it, or you could take a small address stamp and put it over the little blank space. If there was more room we would have left a space for yours. Sorry.

Both these items should prove to be invaluable to you in advertizing for the demo. Posters and stickers have been sent to regional offices already. We did 50,000 posters and 100,000 stickers. If you run out of your supply, please let us know and we will do up another batch. They were fairly expensive, so if you could donate some dollars (\$\$\$) it would be appreciated!!

There has been a lot of interest from other organizations to see that this demonstration is a success. We think that it is important that contacts be made with local groups that you work with. We envision thousands of people at the demonstration and feel that each chapter must do their part in building for it. Columbus, Ohio has set a goal of 500 people and Milwaukee, Wisconsin set their goal at 300 and already has 25 for sure people going!! New York City chapter has been working with many veteran organizations, and the interest among these groups to attend is growing steadily.

At the National Steering Committee Meeting the demonstration demands were discussed and placed in order. They are: Universal and Unconditional Amnesty For All War Resisters; Implement the Agreements/End All Aid to Thieu and Lon Nol; A Single Type Discharge for All Veterans; Decent Benefits for All Veterans; and Kick Nixon Out!!

The political importance of this demonstration should be evident to all. The continuing war in Indochina, the economic and political upheavals and the shoddy treatment of veterans makes the Washington demonstration come at a time when the people of this country can see the decay of this nation's government and system most clearly. By demonstrating in Washington and by doing follow up work locally we can point this out. In order to do this most effectively it will take ALL of us to build for the demo!!

One of the building actions will be the regional demonstrations that are taking place on the weekend of May 17-18. The importance of these building actions was discussed at the NSCM and all agreed that these actions would be crucial in building for Washington. Let us know what your plans are as soon as possible.

**BUILD THE DEMO!!!**

**BUILD VVAW/WSO!!!**

Verdict Reached on "Garment Factory 14" at Starke Prison

Winter Soldier has, in the past, carried a couple of articles on the situation at Starke Prison in Florida. Last April 30th, in the garment factory, 4 prison officials attacked one of the inmates. Approximately 95 inmates were in the factory at the time, and 41 remained in the factory during the beating; the others fled when it was believed that prison guards were coming into the factory. All of the 41 brothers who remained were placed in maximum security (all of them are black). 14 of these brothers were subsequently charged with arson, assault and riot, and have come to be known as the "Garment Factory 14."

Early in March, these brothers were finally taken to court. In the first series of trials, the proceedings for two brothers lasted over one week. This informed the county of Bradford that they could not just railroad these brothers and they would have to go through the full procedure before obtaining any convictions. Also, there were many conflicts of evidence that developed throughout the trial which indicated that the majority of the 14 were innocent.

The ultimate result was that one person, Nathaniel Pressley, was found guilty as charged. A second brother, James Edwards, was found guilty of a lesser charge. Three other prisoners plead guilty to a single charge of riot with a maximum penalty of five years so that the charges against the remainder of the '14' would be dropped. This act of courage is keeping the brothers out of the hole! At this time, attorneys are in the process of appealing the convictions of Pressley and Edwards, and an appeal in regard to the change of venue motion which was previously filed is being prepared which will cover the guilty pleas of the other convicted brothers. We will continue to keep people informed on these appeals of the Garment Factory 14.



Security Form Enclosed

Enclosed is a security report form which all chapters should have on hand. As was discussed at the Milwaukee NSCM, it is extremely important that people report any and all police harassment, FBI contacts, etc. to the National Office as soon as possible after the incident occurs. We hope this form will help people to be more consistent about getting their reports in to us. The form is self-explanatory and simple to follow. We hope that people will take these forms and the government harassment we have been subject to with a great deal more seriousness than has been done in the past. Part of this seriousness is making sure that the National Office is notified of all security incidents. Let us know if more forms are needed.



### Borden Strike in Columbus, Ohio -

In the latest issue of WINTER SOLDIER, (enclosed with this mailing), there is an article on a strike at the Columbus Coated Fabrics plant owned by the Borden Co. We received a letter from the Columbus chapter of VVAW/WSO informing us that the strike is becoming critical and that support is needed around the country. The following are excerpts from the letter we received.

"The company has begun what they call Phase II... of their equipment removal from the CCF Plant. The strangle hold that Borden is putting on the Columbus community is becoming more... apparent with threats of not only pulling that plant out of town but also not opening their new national office building that is still under construction in downtown Columbus.

"All the indications we have point to the obvious conclusion that Borden is attempting economic blackmail on the city of Columbus... We are currently working... directly with the union, the citizens committee for justice for the strikers, with the student committee for support, through the Columbus Tenant's Union...

"VVAW/WSO is in the position to spit in the eye of Borden on a national level. With your cooperation at National, perhaps we can get as many chapters to call news conferences calling for a nationwide boycott as and where possible. This has to be done as soon as possible given the critical situation here. We will get all information out as soon as possible, such as leaflets and... updates on the situation. Borden products are everywhere. Borden also has its hands in the pockets of all the people of the world such as factories in Costa Rica, Brazil, Asia, Scandinavian countries, West Germany, etc. We are just beginning to realize the size of the... multi-national monopoly capitalist company we are up against. We would appreciate anything you and the rest of the organization can do to strike a blow against Borden."

The workers at the Borden plant in Columbus are fighting for their lives, and are drawing the support of the entire city of Columbus. If any chapter can help in publicizing this strike they should do so. Together we can win!! For more information read the article in WS and write to VVAW/WSO, PO Box 10116, Columbus, OH 43201.

### Request for Chapter Address Up-Date

We are planning to do an up-date of the chapter list within the next few weeks. There have been many changes, particularly in regional offices, so it is time to compile an up-dated list which will be sent to all chapters. We would ask that regions send us their chapter lists as soon as possible, so that we can make sure we have the correct addresses when our list is compiled. Do it today!

### International Worker's Day -

In the enclosed issue of WINTER SOLDIER there is an article on International Workers Day. It gives a brief history on the nature of the day. There will be demonstrations and celebrations on May 1 or May 4th (Saturday) around the country and we urge all chapters to find out and participate in these, the people's working day celebrations. The government calls this day Law and Order Day, in an effort to play down the importance of showing the international solidarity of working people. Don't be fooled; join in the celebrations and let us know what you have done on this day.

Vietnam Veterans Against the War-Winter Soldier Organization

# NEWSLETTER

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## Build the Demo!

### Organizations Endorse July Demonstration -

Many national organizations have expressed a desire to help build and participate in the July Demonstration. While many of these groups cannot attend the entire four days of actions, there is a great interest in the march and rally on July 4th. It is hoped that chapters will contact the local affiliates of these national organizations for support in building and participating in the demonstration.

The National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty (NGUUA) has formally endorsed the demonstration. Groups represented by the council include: ACLU, American Friends Service Committee, AMEX, Clergy and Laity Concerned, Gold Star Parents for Amnesty, Southern Conference Educational Fund, War Resisters League, War Tax Resistance, Women Strike for Peace and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. Other organizations that have expressed interest are: Attica Brigade, Indochina Peace Campaign, the Guardian, National Lawyers Guild, the October League and the Revolutionary Union.

Other organizations are being asked and we will report on the outcome of these conversations. If local chapters ask for support from local organizations, we ask that these groups be asked for support on the basis of the five demands. Organizations participating in the march and rally on July 4th are encouraged to bring organizational banners.

### Washington Update -

The Demonstration Logistical Committee will be setting up shop in DC on approximately June 1. At this time the DC chapter is securing an office and when that office is obtained we will let you know about it.

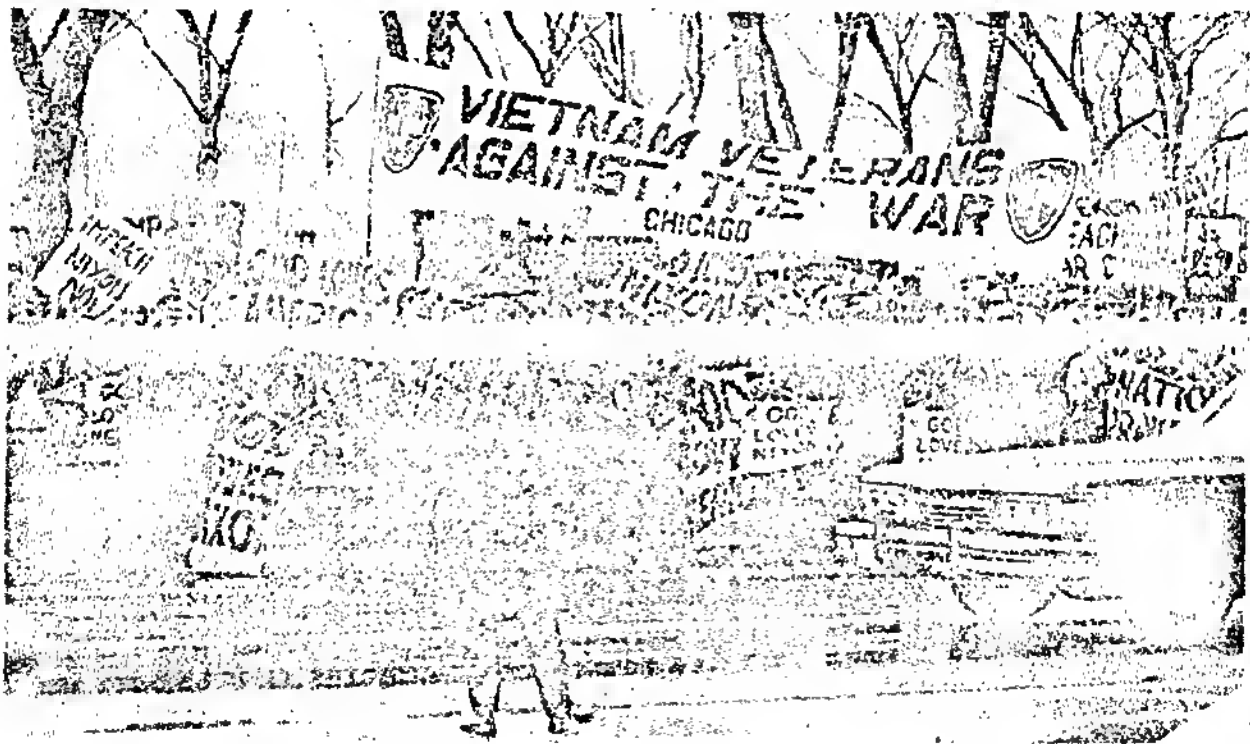
Permits have been given for the march and rally sight and for the demonstration at the Capitol Building. The July 4th march will begin at the Lincoln Memorial and will

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end at the Ellipse, (the expanse of grass between the White House and the Washington Monument). Other permits for the VA, Justice Department, Court of Military Appeals are still being negotiated. Campsite negotiations are still in progress. A lawsuit has been filed with the District Court for the mall area used by us during DCIII. The outcome of this suit won't be known for at least two weeks.

A lot of interest has been shown by a number of groups (as listed above) and individuals in the demonstration. Many chapters have reported to us that they have been working with various community and veteran campus groups, in building for the demonstration. It has all the makings of being a really successful demonstration and we are all reminded that the demonstration will be as big as we make it. Chapters have been renting busses and arranging for car caravans. We have received reports from California that they expect at least three busloads of people. We believe if that much interest is being shown for a demonstration 3,000 miles away that chapters closer to Washington can do as well or better.

#### BUILD THE DEMONSTRATION



#### Demonstration Materials -

The National Collective has already prepared and distributed a number of materials for use in building the demonstration. In addition to the June-July issue of WINTER SOLDIER, which should be used in building for the demonstration also, we have distributed over 50,000 copies of the newsprint poster and over 100,000 of the orange stickies. Also, there will be a copy of the demonstration brochure we have just produced enclosed with this mailing. Unfortunately, we only have a few thousand copies of the brochure on hand at the moment and can only send them out in

VERY limited numbers. It is suggested that chapters immediately needing quantities of the brochure, (and it is hoped that most will!!), can have them reproduced locally in small quantities until we can get a larger run printed here in Chicago. The brochure is to be used as a handout for people interested in finding out more information or merely as a leaflet.

While we will not be printing more copies of the poster unless there is a strong demand for them, (let us know ASAP) we will be reprinting the stickies in the next few days. There have been some complaints about the quality of the glue on the back and thus we are trying to find a better brand of glued paper. In the meantime, the stickers will work if a sufficient amount of water is put on them and also if the surface is clean where putting them up. We will send stickies out to all regional offices that request them. Please advise us ASAP. It is also hoped that chapters will be able to send us some money as the cost of producing these materials is sky high and it is really hurting the wallet!!!!

We are still in the process of arranging for speakers and entertainers for the demonstration. As soon as we have them confirmed we will notify all regions and chapters and hopefully begin getting out some sort of materials advertizing the fact. If people have ideas or contacts for good people's entertainers, singers, musicians, theater groups, etc. please notify the National Office as soon as possible. We are particularly hoping to draw the entertainment from the East Coast and thus cut down what might otherwise be a very formidable transportation budget.

## General Information

### Ruchell Magee Pleads Guilty

Ruchell Magee pleaded guilty on May 10th to a charge of aggravated kidnapping. The charge stems from the "Courthouse Slave Rebellion" which took place on August 7, 1970 at the Marin County Courthouse. On this day in August, Ruchell appeared in court to testify on behalf of a fellow prisoner. Jonathan Jackson rose from his seat in the court and said, "All right gentlemen, this is it." The prisoners then made their bid for freedom and attempted to escape in a van, taking with them the court's presiding judge. Marin County Sheriffs opened fire on the van and indiscriminately murdered Jackson, William Christmas, James McClain and the court's judge, Harold Haley. Ruchell was the only surviving prisoner and he was later charged with murder, conspiracy to free the Soledad Brothers, and kidnapping. These charges came to trial in 1972, but because Ruchell's involvement in the murder of Judge Haley was disproved, the jury remained hopelessly hung. Following this first trial, the murder charge against Ruchell was dropped, and he was awaiting his second trial on the kidnapping charge which was to begin on May 27th.

This second trial will not happen because of Ruchell's guilty plea. The reason behind this plea is not clear at this point, but we will try to keep people posted. The maximum sentence under the charge is life imprisonment, and we may expect that Ruchell will receive this maximum penalty. As more information is learned, we will get it out to people.

Sioux Falls, South Dakota - American Indians on trial

The current trial under way in Sioux Falls involving American Indians stems from incidents which took place in Buffalo Gap and Custer, South Dakota, early last year. On January 21, 1973, Darrell Schmitz, a filling station manager from Custer, stabbed and killed Wesley Bad Heart Bull in Buffalo Gap, S. D. There were a number of eye-witnesses, and although it would have been easy to stop the murderer, no attempt was made to catch Schmitz. It had been common knowledge in Buffalo Gap that a white bar owner had offered a reward to the person who killed Wesley, and before the stabbing, Schmitz told a number of people he was going to kill Wesley. Apparently confident of avoiding conviction, Schmitz turned himself in the next day and was scheduled for trial February 6th.

On February 6th, about 100 Indians came to Custer, in the heart of the Black Hills which are sacred to the Indians. They planned to hold a meeting with States' Attorney Hobart Gates to discuss the prejudice shown in the lack of an investigation and the fact that Schmitz was charged with only manslaughter rather than first degree murder. The Indians were instead met with riot police when they entered Custer. The police attacked them with riot sticks, baseball bats, mace, tear gas and other weapons. Many Indians were injured. Thirty were arrested and later 19 were indicted, including Sarah Bad Heart Bull, Wesley's mother. In May of 1973, an all-white jury acquitted Schmitz.

Harassment and intimidation continued throughout 1973 for the Custer defendants, and on February 18, 1974, Butch Bad Heart Bull, Wesley's brother, was murdered by a white man. Butch's murderer is now free on bond with no trial date set.

One of the main points of friction between the Indians and the judicial system in Custer is the Indians' refusal to stand when the judge enters the courtroom. Standing for a judge in a courtroom is only a courtesy, not a law; and the Indians feel that Judge Joseph Bottum deserves no courtesy. As a result, on April 26, 1974, more than 50 women, children and men were carried out of the courtroom and dumped in the hall. Judge Bottum's anger reached a high point on April 30th when he ordered riot police to clear the courtroom. As the bus load of riot police arrived at the courthouse, the judge cleared the news media from the courtroom. The police then marched up to the courtroom and entered with their visors down, clubs in hand, flack vests on, and armed with mace, tear gas and guns. The police literally assaulted the 14 spectators who were there to support the defendants and who refused to stand for the judge. All but five Indian spectators were thrown out of the courtroom after the 10-minute attack. The five were arrested and taken to jail where they were denied adequate medical attention for their injuries. All Indian spectators were injured, eight requiring hospital care. However, the most serious injury was to defendant David Hill, who had been ordered to remain in the courtroom. The first person attacked, he received severe eye and head wounds, and doctors think that the chances are slim that he will regain full use of his right eye, if at all.

The situation in Sioux Falls has reached a crisis stage with regular knifings and assaults on Indians by local white people. Vigilante squads have been formed

by local whites and the tension has reached a stage reminiscent of the situation in Cairo, Illinois, several years ago.

The Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee is working on the cases and has asked VVAW/WSO if they can assist them in the following ways: 1) Contact your local media and insist that they cover the events in Sioux Falls; and 2) Send telegrams and letters to Judge Bottum demanding that he remove himself from the case and requesting that all Custer cases be moved out of the State of South Dakota. Address all messages to: Judge Joseph Bottum, Circuit Court, Minnehaha County Courthouse, Sioux Falls, S.D. 57101. Please send a copy of any message to the defense office. The defense committee is also faced with a severe financial crisis and are about to lose their phone. There are also faced with the fact that a number of the 19 Custer defendants will soon begin their trials in Pierre, South Dakota, and it will be difficult to transport supporters to Pierre for the trials. More information is available from: Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee, PO Box 255, Sioux Falls, S.D. 57101; Phone (605) 339-9805 - ask for Candy Hamilton.



### SPN Numbers

As pointed out in this issue of WINTER SOLDIER, some form of classification system will still remain in effect. The difference is that now the veteran won't even be aware of it. The classifications will be used in the veteran's 201 File, the permanent military service record that all servicepeople have.

We have found that the SPN issue is a very gut level issue that can easily be organized around. We have a copy of all the SPN numbers and will send a copy to any chapter requesting a copy. (The list is about 10 pages long and we could not afford to send one to each chapter.) If vets are interested in getting a new DD214, here are the addresses of the branches of service that vets should write to: Army - Commander, Army Reserve Components Personnel and Administration Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63132; Navy - Chief BUPERS(Pers. - 38), Dept. of the Navy, Washington, DC 20370; Air Force - Military Personnel Center, DPMDR, Randolph AFB, Texas 78148; Marines - Commandant, U.S.M.C., MSRB-10, HQ U.S.M.C., Washington, DC 20380. Name, service, Social Security number, dates of service and a copy of your old DD 214 should be included in the request for a new DD 214. The Columbus Chapter has been doing public service announcements on the radio and has been getting a tremendous response.

Be sure to remind anyone getting a new DD 214 that their 201 File still has the reason for discharge and that employers will continue to have access to this information. This also offers a good chance to discuss what the role of the military is in our society and why they have such close ties with corporations.

### Supreme Court Bars Arbitrary Censorship of Prisoners Mail

Early in May, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a district court order ending the practice of certain kinds of censoring and suppressing of the personal mail of California prison inmates. Correctional authorities had appealed the lower court ruling to the Supreme Court after the state corrections director, Raymond Procunier, claimed that mail is a "privilege" and not a legal right. The Supreme Court unanimously disagreed with Procunier's opinion.

The Court's opinion states: "Prison officials may not censor inmate correspondence simply to eliminate unflattering or unwelcome opinions... Rather, they must show that a regulation authorizing mail censorship furthers (the) interests of security, order and rehabilitation."

Though the censorship will still be up to the individual California prisons, this Court ruling does set the basis for ensuring prisoner's legal rights to send and receive uncensored mail. This ruling on California prisons also sets a precedent which may be used in other states filing "mail-tampering" suits. This one Court decision may be seen as a small victory in the prison struggle, and it will be interesting to see just how this ruling will be applied, enforced and assuredly ignored.

### New System Established for Handling Prisoner Grievances

The U.S. Bureau of Prisons has established a new redress system for the grievances of federal prisoners. The policy will bar the inmates of federal prisons from filing suits in courts until they have completed a new complaint procedure. This nationwide plan seriously threatens the Constitutional rights of all federal prisoners around the country.

A prisoner who feels he has been victimized by some prison rule, custom, guard, condition or practice must first file a complaint with the prison warden. The warden is obligated to reply in writing to the grievance within 15 business days. If the prison is not satisfied with the warden's ruling, he may appeal to the Bureau of Prisons. The Bureau must reply to the grievance within thirty business days (or about 6 weeks). Then, if the prisoner has still not received justice, he may take his complaint to the courts. The intent and result of all this red-tape will be that prisoners will become discouraged from pursuing their legal and guaranteed rights by official "kangaroo courts" before the matter of controversy gets to the "legitimate court."

The Bureau of Prisons will now have the opportunity to selectively grant a right here and there and prevent any meaningful victories in the courts. It will mean that the repression of the prison system might not ever be brought to light or questioned before a real judicial body. Also, the danger exists that this plan may very well spread from the federal prisons to the state and local prisons as well. The inevitable result will be to keep prisoner grievances and protests from public view and scrutiny, and the repression now facing prisoners across the country will be on the rise -- putting the brothers and sisters in prisons in a situation where they can do little or nothing about it.



### Cairo Organizer Bobby Williams Faces Prison

Enclosed is a brochure about the case of Bob Williams. Bob has been one of the leading figures in the struggle in Cairo, Illinois, and deserves all the support that we can give. He has already been tried and convicted three times for the same charge; twice he has had the conviction overturned on appeal; the latest conviction is now on appeal.

We suggest that you contact Bob's Defense Committee in St. Louis and offer your support, even if it's only moral support; and also request additional copies of the brochure to hand out to chapter members and your community. Contact: National Committee to Free Bobby Williams, 27 Windemore Place, St. Louis, MO 63112 (314) 725-1082.

### Criminal Code Reform Bill

In the October issue of WINTER SOLDIER we covered the provisions of the Criminal Code Reform Bill, variously known as S 1400 and HR 6046. In late March we received a letter from the National Committee Against Repressive Legislation in response to our questions about the status of this bill. The following is a portion from their letter: "Status on S 1400: the subcommittee on Criminal Laws and Procedures of the Senate Judiciary Committee seems to be in the process of coalescing S 1400 with S 1 in order to report out one bill to the Senate Judiciary; one probable motivation is more assurance of broader support. Note, however, that the death penalty bill which passed the Senate on March 13th, S 1401, is that section from S 1400, separated and dealt with independently. There is the possibility that this is the procedure to be followed with the rest of the bill.

"The subcommittee on Criminal Justice of the House Judiciary Committee, chaired by Mr. William Hungate (Missouri) seems to be intent on beginning hearings within the next few months."

We encourage chapters to stay on top of this piece of repressive legislation. If the whole bill eventually passes, we could all be either underground or in jail. In addition to writing to appropriate Congresspeople and Committees, you can also get some straight answers from the National Committee Against Repressive Legislation, 1750 Columbia Road, NW, Washington, DC 20009 (202) 234-5287. Their national office can be contacted at: PO Box 74757, Los Angeles, CA 90004 (213) 462-1329.

### Requests for Sociological Data on VVAW/WSO and VVAW/WSO Members

We've been getting a steady flow of information requests from universities sociology professors, etc for information on the organization and the political beliefs of its membership. Given the fact that in 9 out of 10 cases, the organization can gain nothing from complying with these requests, and the fact that the info gained may go to sources we would rather not see it go to (!), the N. O. would highly recommend that regions, chapters, and individual members approach these requests with a great deal of caution. As a rule of thumb we would suggest that they be summarily discarded.



## Bucklin/Johnson Campaign    initiated by NCUUA -

As part of its national program for amnesty, the National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty has initiated a campaign that focuses on two cases. These cases are those of Richard Bucklin, a military resister; and Robert Johnson, a civilian resister. Bucklin received a military courtmartial, a 15 month sentence and a Bad Conduct Discharge. Johnson is serving his five year term for resisting the war. Enclosed with this mailing is a brochure that explains in more detail both these cases and why they are being singled out from among the hundreds of thousands of war resisters. For more information on the case and for more petitions, write to: NCUUA, 339 Lafayette, NYC, NY 10012.

## Films for Fundraising and Education

**MILLHOUSE: A WHITE COMEDY** is a revealing film about Richard Nixon - Nixon the candidate, congressman, senator, vice-president and president. Judging from public sentiment, **MILLHOUSE** should be an excellent fundraising film. It is available for a rental fee of \$85 from: New Yorker Films, 43 West 61st Street, New York, NY 10023. (212) 247-6110. It's 93 minutes, 16mm, black and white..

**Impact Films** has a catalog offering quite a number of important political films that chapters could use for education and fundraising. They have films on prisoners, woodcutters in the deep South, Appalachia, the black struggle, women, Africa, China, Latin America and other issues. They also distribute "Operation Last Patrol" about our convoy to the 72 Convention in Florida. The film is in color and 54 minutes long. They also distribute "Dhofar: Guerilla War on the Arabian Gulf," a 40-minute color film about the struggle in Dhofar (see April WS). We urge chapters to write for their catalog. Their catalog can be obtained by writing to: Impact Films, 144 Bleecker Street, New York, NY 10012 (212) 674-3375.

# Regional Reports

## Regional Demos

To build for the DC Demo, the NSCM called for regional demonstrations on the weekend of 17-18 May. Here are the results as far as we know them--the rest will be included in the next newsletter.

**Milwaukee** : After a series of takeovers of the VA in Milwaukee (see back issues of the newsletter and Winter Soldier), people finally got busted--16 people were arrested for "demonstrating on government property" during a May 17th action at the VA (they were all out again within hours and continued the demonstration). Included in the 16 were two people with press passes. Trial is set for the 23rd--the "crime" is a misdemeanor. A car caravan through Milwaukee publicized the 5 demands on the following day. There are already 70 confirmed reservations for the DC Demo, with more to follow.

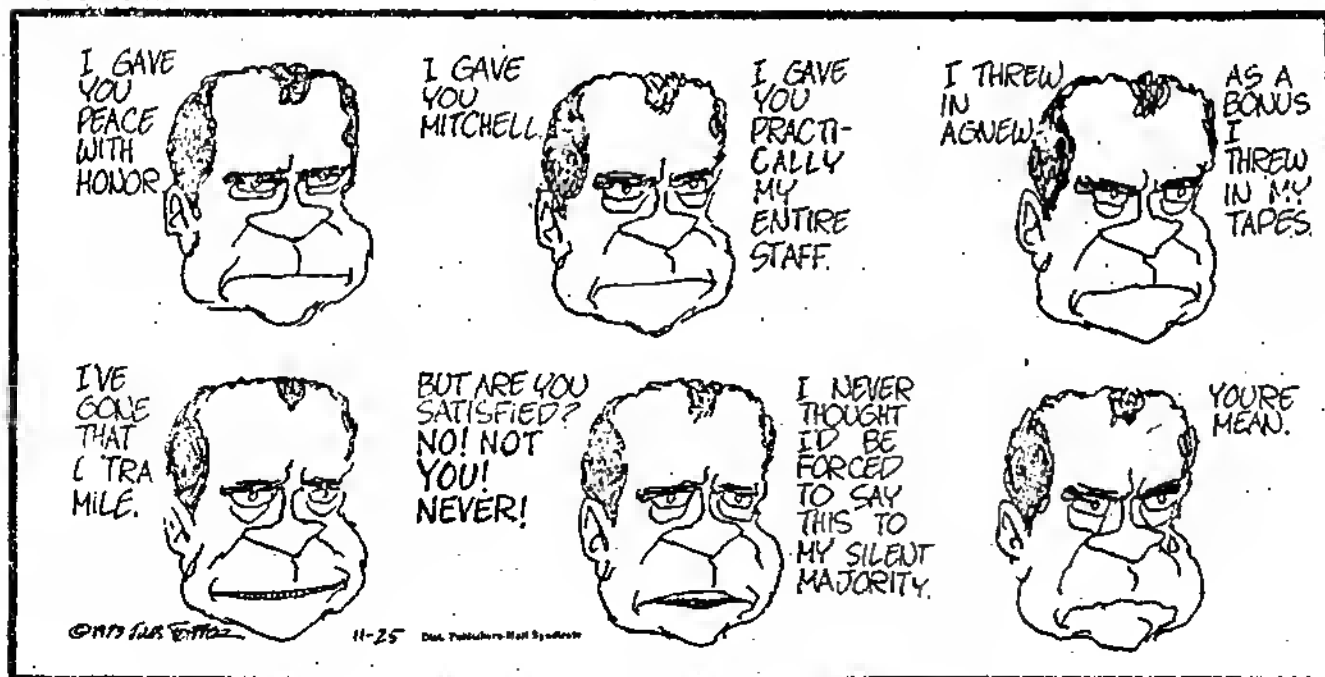
**Cincinnati:** The regional action for the Ohio etc region started at the Cincinnati VA hospital with a picket-line and talk about the misuse of the federal bureaucracy in the veterans administration. This was followed by a three-mile march through the city with banners outlining the five demands and chants around each of these demands. Although a mailman burned the leaflet which was being passed out, response was generally excellent with some of the onlookers joining in the march. A rally in Cincinnati's Fountain Square completed the action with speakers on the five demands and guerrilla theatre by the Columbus VVAW/WSO.

**West Point:** 200-250 people from the New York etc region gathered at West Point for their regional action. There was a spirited march through the town of Highlands Falls, followed by a rally at which Irma Zigas of the War Resisters' League, Bob Macfarlane, a local draft resister, and Al Hubbard of VVAW/WSO spoke. Although the march through the town got only a mediocre reception, around half of the people involved were local people rather than VVAW/WSO members.

**Baltimore:** The DC etc regional action was held at the VA in Baltimore where over 100 people turned out for a picket line at the VA. There was music and speakers emphasizing the VVAW/WSO five demands and building for the action on the 1st through the 4th of July in Washington.

**Denver:** The Colorado etc region is sponsoring a 41 mile march from Boulder to Denver on the 31st of May and the 1st of June in order to make known to local people the five demands and build for the DC action. The march will end with a rally at the State Capital on June 1st. People in the communities through which the march will go are being invited to join the marchers for 45 minutes-1 hour in order to discuss the march, the demands, and the DC demo. The region is also asking people and groups to sponsor marchers at 25¢ per mile. BUILD THE DEMO\*\*BUILD THE DEMO\*\*BUILD THE DEMO\*\*BUILD THE DEMO

## Feiffer



### VVAW/WSO Coordinator Hospitalized with Leukemia

Dave Bunten, from Junction City, Kansas, was recently hospitalized in St. Louis and diagnosed as having a serious case of leukemia. He has been undergoing chemical therapy and blood transfusions. With a case such as his, it is not likely that he will live very much longer, although there are many cases that become recessive for periods of up to a year. When we talked to Dave over the phone recently he was in good spirits and said that he may be released on out-patient status soon. We encourage all chapters to write Dave and offer your support. He can be reached through his parents home at: 503 Tompkins, St. Charles, Missouri 63301.

### Borden's Boycott

Columbus VVAW/WSO has joined in a local coalition, Justice for Borden Workers Committee, working around the Columbus Coated Fabrics, a Borden subsidiary (see the last newsletter and the May Winter Soldier). The company still refuses to bargain around health and safety issues.

In support of the workers, Columbus is asking chapters around the country to participate in publicizing the situation by news conferences, press releases, and support for the boycott of the many Borden's products (including Aunt Janes, Cracker Jacks, Campfire, Wylers, Elmer's glue, Cremora, Realemon, Mystic tapes, and on and on). You can also write to Borden's (Augustine Marusi, 277 Park Ave, New York, New York 10017) to tell them you support the Columbus Coated Fabrics workers: contributions are also needed and may be sent to, Columbus Coated Fabrics Emergency Relief Fund--Textile Workers Union of America, Local #487, 1441 N. Grant St, Columbus, Ohio 43201.

### St. Louis Bluegrass Benefit a Success

On April 14th (Easter Sunday) the St. Louis chapter held a benefit "Bluegrass and Boogie" to raise money for their Chestnut Tree Coffeehouse. The benefit was a success, with 400-450 people attending. Seven local musicians donated their time and the quality of music was excellent. According to the St. Louis people, the musicians already were aware of many of the problems in the country, and after talking with them about VVAW/WSO projects and work, they agreed to offer their services free. The total amount of money made on the benefit was over \$525, and approximately \$150 of the profit went toward the benefit expenses (ads, posters, rent for the hall, etc.).

The St. Louis chapter suggests that this type of fund-raising activity could be easily used by other chapters. The key to the success was the musicians, so if chapters have contacts with people, a similar idea might be tried. The total amount of time spent on getting the benefit together was only 60 hours or so, making the concert no big drain on chapter members. For more information on this Bluegrass benefit, contact: VVAW/WSO, 1023 Allen Ave., St. Louis, MO 63104.

### Amnesty for Jim Christopher

The Eastern Pa/Delaware/S. NJ Regional Office in Harrisburg, Pa is still working around the case of Jim Christopher, a VVAW/WSO member whom the Army considers AWOL since 1971. Because of the complications of the situation-- Christopher was medically discharged in 1971, but the Army refuses to recognize that discharge--and because of VVAW/WSO enlisting the aid of various Congressional offices to put pressure on the case, Jim will be given an Undesirable Discharge rather than the court martial and prison term asked for by the arresting FBI officer (whose pants were torn during the scuffle around the arrest). Now being held in the Stockade at Fort Meade, Jim should soon be out--to begin serving under the sentence of a less-than-honorable discharge.

SINGLE TYPE DISCHARGE FOR ALL VETS!!!

### Chicago Chapter Plans Forum

With the demonstration in Washington drawing near, the Chicago Chapter found that money would be needed to make building for the action more effective. Thus, they are planning a Forum to be held on May 30th. The topic of the Forum will be "On How & Why To Get Rid of Nixon & Co." The groups participating in the forum will be: VVAW/WSO, Revolutionary Union, October League, and the Chicago Peace Council. All proceeds from the Forum (\$1 admission is being charged) will go toward helping build the July demo. Chapters interested in how this idea is being carried out should contact: VVAW/WSO, 2952 N. Milwaukee, #215, Chicago 60618.

## National Office Reports

### Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada to Hold Conference on Vietnam June 7-9 in Montreal

A Conference on Vietnam organized by the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada will be held from June 7-9 in Montreal, Canada. AVPC has asked for and received VVAW/WSO's endorsement of the Conference. They are also asking for our actual participation in the Conference. We are requesting that any region capable of sending qualified delegates to represent their region, contact the N. O. for further details concerning the Conference. The N. O. should be informed of any VVAW/WSO members planning on attending the Conference as soon as possible.

A summary of the Conference on Vietnam is as follows:

1. Friday Night, June 7th - Opening session, speakers from antiwar organizations and members of AVPC. Time and place to be determined.

2. Saturday, June 8th - Workshops on Vietnam focus on the following topics; 1. Paris Agreement on Vietnam, the present strategy of the US in Vietnam, the third force in South Vietnam and the question of political prisoners, the present situation in Vietnam, and the People's National Democratic Revolution and the building of the liberated zones in South Vietnam. On Saturday night, a cultural night in Solidarity with the participation of North American artists together with the artistic troupes of the AVPC.

3. Sunday, June 9th - Closing sessions, resolutions, discussions and friendship meetings.



### No Winter Soldier for July

Because of the energy and money which will be going in to the D C Demonstration, there will be no Winter Soldier in July; we hope that every one of the 25,000 readers of the paper will be in Washington instead. The August issue will be in the mail in late July--chapter and/or regional offices should let the National Office know if they anticipate any changes in the number of copies needed for the August issue.

### VVAW/WSO G. I. News

Enclosed is the April issue of G. I. News. We would like to remind people again that it would be very helpful to the National G. I. Project (formerly NOSCAM) if chapters could subscribe to this newsletter (subs are \$3.00 per year). We know that all chapters will receive the newsletter via this newsletter, at least for as long as money holds out, but it would help the G. I. Office a great deal if people could find the subscription money. People should also take note that the Chicago office of the National G. I. Project has recently moved into the National Office and the newsletter and G. I. work is now being conducted from 827 W. Newport. All information and requests regarding G. I. 's should in the future be sent to this office or of course, to the main G. I. Office in Dayton.

National Defense Committee Workshop: St. Louis, June 7-9

At the Milwaukee NSCM, (April '74), it was decided that a working session would be held on the National Defense Committee working paper presented there. This session will be held in St. Louis, Mo. from June 7-9. Each region is to send those individuals they feel can contribute to the formation of this paper. Since this is to be a working session, it is requested that regions only send people that have had direct experience in defense committee work or that have specific skills that would be of aid in further developing the working paper originally presented in Milwaukee this past April. As directed by the Milwaukee NSCM, different reports are to be made by certain individuals, (see below), or regions and are to be sent by that individual or region to each region represented at the Milwaukee NSCM no later than May 24th. The entire paper will be compiled June 7-9 and will then be taken back to the regions for them to read and be ready to discuss at the next NSCM NDC workshop.

Areas which need to be dealt with in more depth and the people/regions assigned to prepare the draft papers on these areas are:

- 1. Internal Defense Committee Organizing -- all.
2. GI Defense Work -- Bill Davis, Cary Staiger, National GI Project.
3. Political Criteria for Defense Work -- all.
4. Prisons -- Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee.
5. Governmental Strategy -- all to report on local, Tim Butz on Federal.
6. Legal (Relationships to Lawyers) -- Jeanne Friedman and the RPPDG.
7. Jury Selection -- Mary Jo Gook and Buffalo VVAW/WSO.
8. Politics of Defense Committees -- all.
9. Propaganda -- Ann Bailey and Milwaukee VVAW/WSO.
10. Fundraising -- Sam Schorr and the National Office.
11. Security -- Brian Adams and the National Office.

St. Louis VVAW/WSO has indicated that the logistical support they can provide is as follows: 1.) Crash space will be available, probably in the chapter's coffee house, the Chestnut tree. People should have their own sleeping bags, bedding etc. 2.) People will have to be able to pay for their own meals. There should be kitchen facilities available on a limited basis, however, to help keep the cost of meals to a minimum. 3.) It is very important that all regions sending people to the NDC workshop notify the National Office as soon as possible as to how many people they will be sending. The National Office will in turn see that St. Louis is advised as to how many people they can expect to attend.

There is very little time left to prepare for this workshop. All regions/individuals planning on either preparing draft papers for the workshop and/or attending it are urged to get moving on it ASAP. Draft papers on the various subject areas assigned in Milwaukee are just about done as of this writing. Those regions/individuals listed above responsible for writing them should hopefully have them mailed to those regions represented at the Milwaukee NSCM by May 24th. If for whatever reason anybody should have problems making their sections of the working paper available in time, please contact the NO and we will try to work something out that will get the papers distributed in time. Needless to say, there is very little time left to make arrangements for transportation to and from St. Louis. Again, if people have trouble finding rides, contact the NO and we will try and work out something.

### Operation County Fair Slide Show Available

The OCF color slide show is completed. A copy of the slide show along with the narration is available from either Bogue Chitto or the National Office. A \$25 rental fee should be suggested to any groups to which you are going to show the slides.

The OCF fundraising/outreach/background brochure will be printed by the time you are reading this newsletter. If you would like to use the brochure, contact us at the National Office. A copy of the brochure will be included in the next mailing to chapters. Also enclosed is an up-dated OCF donation list. All chapters should be receiving a mailing soon from Bogue Chitto which will discuss the politics of health care.

### Amnesty Pamphlet Second Printing Completed

The VVAW/WSO Position Paper on Amnesty has recently been re-printed. We ran out of the "first edition," and knowing that chapters and regions are wildly clamoring for this hot item, the pamphlet has been re-printed (with different colors this time!) The price of the pamphlet is still 10¢ each, so get your orders in soon, before this edition is also sold out.

## Information Requests

### Chapter Lists

The advertised chapter list updates are not included in this newsletter; so far, five regions have sent in new lists (Ohio, Colorado, DC, Eastern Pa, and New England). To make the list useful, we need the information from all the regions; if there has been no change in your region, please let us know that.

### Security Forms

With the last newsletter, we enclosed a form which is to be used for filing security reports with this office. Apparently, people found these forms to be helpful because we have had several filled-out forms returned to us. It is very important that we receive information on all contacts made by various police agencies to VVAW/WSO chapters and members. This security form was designed to help, though if you find it easier to just write down what happened, the form can serve as a guideline to the type of information that we need. We have more copies of the forms available, so if more are needed, just let us know and we'll get them off to you. Remember, the government knows who they are contacting; we should have that same information.

**DONATIONS NEEDED!** - We are asking for a \$500 donation from all of those who will be coming to the four-day encampment and demonstration. We're planning nine meals and renting a lot of equipment such as tarpolins, toilet facilities, water trailers, sound equipment, etc. So **MONEY IS BADLY NEEDED** to help defray some of these costs. All donations should be sent directly to the demonstration committee in Washington as soon as possible.

**BAIL FUND** - In the event that people should get arrested, for whatever reason, we recommend that each chapter or individual have their own bail money. The practice in the past has been a \$50 collateral for demonstration arrests in Washington, DC. Residents of DC do not have to pay this and can get out on their own recognizance. We will have legal observers and lawyers available in case such services are required.

**FOOD** - We have contacted some regions to bring a specific amount of certain kinds of food to help out with the meals. We ask that these regions let us know at least one week prior to the demonstration how much they will be bringing. One chapter (New York City) has promised 400 loaves of bread! Another chapter (Miami) is bringing lots of oranges and mangos! All regions should contact food co-ops and other outlets for donations and to try and bring quantities of food from the following food list: Macaroni, spaghetti, powdered milk, bread, tea, coffee, pancake mix, jello, rolled oats, peanut butter, corn meal mix, sugar, salt, pepper, rice, apples, apple sauce, corn oil, syrup, honey, raisins, nuts, peas (#10 cans), potatoes, onions, cheese, soya meat substitute, and tomato sauce (#10 cans).

The Demonstration Committee will need one experienced cook to come to DC on or about the 23rd to help finalize logistics in the food department. If you are qualified, or know someone who is, contact the National Office ASAP.

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED** - No tents will be allowed, so please plan to bring sleeping bags, ground cloths and poncho. Other equipment needed includes: Plates, cups, canteens, forks, knives, spoons, ice chests, flash lights, and batteries, rope, first aid kits, soap, towels, toilet paper, insect repellant, suntan lotion, etc.

Other special equipment needed: 10 bullhorns, 2 flatbed trucks, a PA system, wire, heavy duty extension cords. We also will need a late model (12 volt) VW van for use throughout the demo. The van should arrive one week prior to the demo and the owner(s) should be prepared to totally give up the van for the time period of June 24 - July 5. If you have access to any of these items, please contact the Demonstration Office as soon as possible.

**MEDICAL** - All regions should submit names of licensed medical people (nurses, doctors, etc.) and experienced para-medics who will be attending the demo. The best process would be for chapters to submit names to their regional offices, who would then forward them to the Demo Office. We will contact the medical people who will be working on the medical team at the demo.

**COMMO** - All regions should submit the names of licensed Citizens Band radio operators and experienced radio technicians. The same procedures should apply as above.

**CAMPSITE** - Our suit for use of the Mall area as a symbolic campsite to give a live and constant focus to our five demands is still in court. Our lawyer has care-



fully checked precedent set by other lawsuits and has prepared a good case. We are optimistic that the courts will rule in our favor. Other than that, there is not much that can be done.

**DAYCARE** - Quality daycare will be provided for children brought to the national demonstration. The demonstration committee has contacted local VVAW/WSO people with daycare experience and local professional daycare personnel.

Cooperative daycare will be provided, meaning that a good relationship between parents, daycare workers and children should exist. To accomplish this, the following guidelines are essential:

- a) Parents will use the daycare service only when absolutely necessary;
- b) Parents, before leaving their children, should get to know the daycare workers and give them any special information about the children (such as personality, eating habits, etc.);
- c) When the parents make a commitment to return and pickup their children, they must honor that commitment.

Parents should make every effort to make arrangements with friends or relatives at home to leave their children with. The logistics of our 4 days in Washington will be great enough as it is, and the fewer children to attend to, the more people we will have available to handle other jobs. If you do bring children to the demo, as soon as you arrive and know where you are settling and find out what your schedule is, contact the daycare center. If you are going to bring children, you should contact the demonstration office as soon as possible so that they can estimate how many children we will be caring for. Additional information will be included in the next newsletter. Remember, in order for us to provide quality daycare, we need the full cooperation of every parent.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### American Veterans Movement

Through meetings with AVM, the National Office has gotten the following information as to their plans. As of this Newsletter, AVM has changed its plans for action in DC. According to one of their coordinators, AVM is not planning any activities until the 4th of July which is when they plan to set up their "tent city". This means, we think, that their actions will not interfere with ours, but we will have to be prepared to do much political outreach to those vets coming to Washington for what is being billed as "Bonus March II".

The National Office Collective feels that AVM should be viewed as a political challenge to our ability to bring anti-imperialism to the mass struggle. AVM's present non-political demands are 'increased rights for all veterans, and an end to the disgraceful conditions in the VA hospitals.' From these, it is clear that AVM, in and of itself, will not make any attempt at anti-imperialist consciousness-raising. The NO is preparing materials that can be used by people in DC and afterwards to link up veterans struggle with anti-imperialism and the struggles of other oppressed people. Those who have access to literature on the first Bonus March should study that period as an aid to understanding the political line being pushed by AVM leadership. There are a number of similarities to that first march.

Chapters which are able to bring literature about their work should see AVM actions as a means of reaching people - that is, to reach out to veterans with material designed to educate around anti-imperialism. A pamphlet on the political history and the programs of VVAW/WSO will be produced by the NO for the DC action and for future work.

#### St. Louis Chapter Offers Layover Facilities for Travellers to DC Demo

Anone travelling east to Washington for the demonstration who will be passing through St. Louis is welcomed to rest and spend the night at the Chestnut Tree Coffeehouse, which is owned by the St. Louis Chapter. The Coffeehouse is located in the Soulard area of St. Louis at 1023 Allen Avenue (phone: 314 621-2648 or 241-1213), which is south of the downtown area and near the junction of Interstate Highways 44, 55 and 70. St. Louis is about 14 hours from DC via Interstate 70.

#### Prison Mail

The last newsletter carried a story about relaxation of mail censorship in Federal prisons. Court cases in some states have established the right of prisoners to receive mail unopened. The fact that there is a court judgement in this matter does not mean that the prison administrators are abiding by it. Almost all prisons have the legal right to prohibit material which they consider dangerous - and they do the defining. The same is true for "obscene" or "pornographic" materials.

WINTER SOLDIER and letters from VVAW/WSO are more and more frequently falling into one of the prohibited categories. And mail sent to us often does not get out of the prison. Sometimes this is done systematically, sometimes at random; many prisons do not have the personnel read through every piece of mail that comes in. Keep track of the letters you send (a mail log is a good idea); and let prisoners know when you get the letters they write. In prisons where the mail is questionable, don't help out the administration by using a VVAW/WSO return address or VVAW/WSO stationery. And above all, don't assume that a letter written to a prisoner will automatically get there, or that mail sent to you from prison will automatically get out.

One of the brothers in prison is compiling mail regulations for us; we will print this information as soon as we get it. While administrators will not necessarily follow their own regulations (unless it is in their own interests), these regulations do give us a basis for legal action and threat of legal action. If you have information you feel should be added to this kind of report, send it along to the NO and we'll include it.

#### Dave Buntin Discharged from Hospital

In the last Newsletter, we reported that one of our coordinators from Junction City, Kansas, had been hospitalized in St. Louis with a serious case of leukemia. Dave is now on outpatient care and is living with friends in St. Louis. A "get well" letter would be most appreciated by Dave. His spirits are high, but he faces the very real possibility that he may not survive his case of leukemia for much longer. Dave can be reached c/o Cummins, 741 Eastgate Apt. 2S, St. Louis, MO 63130.

## NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT

### Lawton/Cardner Trial Postponed

The trial of Cary Lawton and Zurebu Cardner has again been postponed, this time until July 29th. The defense committee is continuing their regular publicity and defense work around the case and hope that chapters will continue to keep up their good work around the case all the way to the day Lawton and Gardner are freed.

International support for the case is also beginning to grow. In our domestic and international mailing of WINTER SOLDIER (May issue), we included the 16-page brochure about the case and a letter asking for publicity and telegrams and letters to be sent to the judge and DA. So far, telegrams have been sent from Guyana in South America and from organizations in Italy. Several Italian left publications will soon be doing stories about the case and urging their readers to write or telegram the judge and DA demanding that they drop the charges and end the harassment of Gary and Zurebu.

### Leavenworth Brothers

A motion was filed in District Court on May 23rd asking the judge to move the Leavenworth Brothers to another jail prior to their trial. The Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee is asking that everyone send a postcard or letter to the judge asking him to transfer the Leavenworth Brothers to a county jail because conditions in solitary cannot allow them to prepare an adequate defense. Send postcards to: Honorable Frank Theis, US District Court, Federal Bldg., Wichita, Kansas 67202.

The LBO/DC is also calling for artists to design a poster about the Leavenworth Brothers using the slogan "Support the Leavenworth Brothers". Contact the LBO/DC at POB 5818, Kansas City, MO 64111.

### Operation County Fair

The VVAW/WSO OCF patches are finished; only one problem remains - money. Linda Regnier put down the initial downpayment to have the patches made; she now needs \$110 before June 22nd to pick them up. The patch is the same basic design as the original "Medicine for the People" patch, except that this one has "VVAW/WSO" across the top and "Medicine for the People" across the bottom. The patch sells for \$2.50, with \$1.50 going to the Project. Any chapters or individuals that can order patches or loan Bogue Chitto the money to pick up the patches, please contact Bogue Chitto immediately at Rt. #1 - Box 109,, Browns, AL 36724.

US Disciplinary Barracks - Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Activity is at a high level around the USDB, both on our part and the part of the Army. All of our mail has been cut off from entering the USDB, even though we have authorization from the Provost Marshall of the Army to send in WINTER SOLDIER. GI NEWS, as well as personal mail, is also being returned.

The Dayton Office of the National GI Project is working on a 4-point program for the USDB which includes developing a legal resource referral system, building local support, publicity and political education. Currently Dayton is in close contact with the Congressional offices of both Ronald Dellums and Charles Whelan. Dellums and Whelan are both very interested in the situation at the DB, especially the problem of mail censorship. Attention is being focused on the case of Gregory Jackson (see May WINTER SOLDIER) and preliminary investigations have begun from Dellums' office. Through the case of Gregory Jackson we hope to be able draw attention to the problems in the USDB.

The Dayton Office has requested that all regions with members in the USDB write a cordial letter to the member asking them to correspond with the Dayton Office. This will serve two purposes; First, it will generate more mail from within the DB, and secondly, if mail is returned, it will provide more evidence against the officials at the DB. If any letters are returned, PLEASE FORWARD THEM TO THE DAYTON OFFICE EXACTLY AS YOU RECEIVED THEM.

Our work around the USDB is being assisted by the ACLU National Prison Project, the Lawyers Military Defense Committee, and the National Lawyers Guild. Any chapters that can round up a local lawyer as a backup lawyer for the prisoners at the USDB should contact the Dayton Office.

Everyone is requested to write a letter or postcard to the following people protesting the censorship of mail and the racism at the USDB:

Colonel O'Kier  
Commandant  
US Disciplinary Barracks  
Leavenworth, Kansas 66027

Major General Lloyd B. Ramsey  
Provost Marshall  
United States Army Headquarters  
Washington, DC

Congressman Ronald Dellums  
House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

local congresspeople

A military that is designed to support imperialism must always maintain an iron hand over its soldiers. If it didn't, discipline would soon begin to crumble. Just as in the later years of massive US troop involvement in Indochina, soldiers will eventually react strongly to participating in a situation that they can clearly see is not in their interests. The fraggings, mutinies, AWOLs, desertions, avoiding contact and drug use became regular occurrences. Since an imperial army must always rely on the human element to operate, it is necessary for the military to maintain a system of discipline based on fear.

Within the US military there are three formal ways of doing this (additionally there is always the threat of being transferred to an unfavorable duty station).

the bad discharge system represents the most threatening prospect for the GI, since it means a lifelong mark. The other discipline methods are the UCMJ, which is used most regularly, and the US Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leavenworth. There are, of course, many lockades run by the military, but the USDB is the end of the line - the epitome of the military's system of discipline-by-fear. A sentence to the USDB represents not only confinement to abuse, racism and isolation; but it, too, represents a lifelong mark.

It is increasingly important, as the military must rely more and more on internal discipline to maintain itself (since it no longer has the draft to rely on), that we as VVAW/WSO increase our educational and agitational activities around the backbone of the military's disciplinary system: the UCMJ, the bad discharge system and the USDB.

Economics and the military are inseparable parts of imperialism. Just as the military is the iron hand of imperialism, the military disciplinary system is the iron hand of the military.

#### Security Information: The Phantom Reporter

On June 6th, a man called the NO identifying himself by name and further as a reporter for the Chicago Sun Times who wanted to do a short article on the trip to Washington. He said he had a leaflet with a picture of Nixon coming out of the White House asking people to ride the bus to DC (the leaflet put out by the Chicago chapter of VVAW/WSO).

He wanted to know when and where the bus would leave from, how many people would be on it, where people would be coming from, etc. When asked for his number he gave it, but said "don't bother calling," that he would call again later.

As soon as the call was finished, NO called the Chicago Sun Times to ask for the individual; we were told that he was in Washington, DC. The number the individual gave was a disconnected, Chicago phone number; a recording said to call information.

Analysis: the "reporter" was a pig; knowing that VVAW/WSO needs and wants as much publicity as possible for the demo, he used that device to try to get information he wanted. He was ready to give a phone number (even though it was disconnected) knowing that it would appear suspicious not to give it, and knowing further that we would probably not call the number.

Action taken: NO, after establishing that this was not a reporter, called the Sun Times, talked to them about the incident; the reporter whose name was being used was also contacted. Media people need to keep open their sources of information, and whether or not they care about VVAW/WSO, they do care about their own ability to collect news.

Just because someone identifies himself as a reporter over the phone does not make him or her a reporter. Ask the person for a number; try calling through the switchboard of the news media he is supposed to work for. Above all, be aware that the possibility exists of phantom reporters in your area.

### Milwaukee 16 Freed; Attacks on the VA Continue

The M-16 ("The Vets Best Friend"), 16 members of Milwaukee VVAW/WSO arrested at a VA demonstration, had charges against them dropped. Pressure against the VA in Milwaukee continues, however; a Winter Soldier Investigation into the treatment at VA hospitals is planned--to be held in a room at the VA. Suit has been filed against the VA for use of this room; demonstrations continue in order to force the VA to provide space for the investigation. Thirty to forty veterans are prepared to give testimony concerning care at Veterans Administration facilities.

### Chicago Forum

A Forum around the topic "How and Why Should Nixon Be Removed From Office" was sponsored by the Chicago chapter of VVAW/WSO. Speakers from VVAW/WSO, the October League, the Revolutionary Union, and the Chicago Peace Council presented their viewpoints on impeachment to a crowd of 150 people (at \$1 a head). Slogans such as "Throw the Bum Out," "Dump Nixon: Stop the Facist Tide," "Impeach Nixon," and "Kick Nixon Out" were discussed, and the differing approaches to impeachment were debated. Questions from the audience ranged from the nature of coalition work to positions on the Equal Rights Amendment.

### Jim Christopher Released

Jim Christopher, whose story appeared in the last newsletter, has been released from the Stockade at Ft Meade with an Undesirable Discharge. He is now at work in Harrisburg, Pa, working with the chapter in building for the DC Demo--two busses are already chartered to go to Washington. Also from the Eastern Pa Regional Office is work around DUP in prisons in Pennsylvania, relating the DUP cases "to the politics of the Vietnam War, whom bad discharges were given to and why, and the demand for a single type discharge." Some organizing for the Demo is also going on in Philadelphia with more in prospect.

### Memorial Day in Miami

Around 50 people, followed by 6-8 cars of senior citizen supporters marched in Miami on Memorial Day. The march was followed by a rally, building the DC Demo. Rather than rent a bus to travel to DC, the chapter has bought a school bus which will appear in Washington. Through the efforts of the Regional Office, the Convention of Florida Populists, held in Jacksonville, adopted unanimously the VVAW/WSO position on Universal and Unconditional Amnesty.

### Veterans' Shitlist

The New York City Chapter suggests that other chapters adopt the Veterans' Shitlist. "We've gotten rolls of cheap fabric (muslin, I believe) and sit outside the VA (other locations will be covered shortly) making the fabric available to

anyone who wants to write a complaint against the VA. If the response we've had continues, we'll have to buy wholesale from Burlington MI. Everyone seems to relate to it with vengeful enthusiasm. If other chapters across the country do the same we might have enough giant toilet paper to wrap around the VA building in DC with genuine gripes from THE PEOPLE."

Report from the Santa Barbara, California, Chapter

(The following is a condensed version of their 7-page monthly report.)

This chapter is continuing its amnesty outreach effort on a weekly basis.

Through the use of a literature table and petitions we feel we have stimulated valuable dialogue in the community. We are averaging 5 completed petitions per sitting; however, we feel the signatures are secondary compared to the education and contact we have made. Also, the prominent and regular sight of VVAW/WSO engaging in this effort has enhanced our position in the community.

For example, two weeks ago, a driver of the MTD bus stopped his bus, ran over to us and got an amnesty button. An elderly WWI vet signed with enthusiasm, although he was visibly trembling with weakness. Many elderly citizens have tearfully thanked us for being there, and the major consensus is for impeachment and full amnesty. Many people in the Movement have scorned the efforts of the Senior Citizens, but our table has shown us the sentiment is there. We have found our biggest monetary and signatory support has come from older people; as a matter of fact the majority of people who walk by without stopping are draft-age long hairs, etc.

On the above-mentioned table we have also displayed info relevant to the Lawton/Gardner case in Riverside. However, while many persons are willing to sign the amnesty petition, few are willing to do the same for Lawton and Gardner. We have stuffed copies of the WINTER SOLDIER with this material, but have received no feedback.

Because of the termination of the United Farmworkers secondary boycotts, activity in Santa Barbara has subsided. However, the Santa Barbara Chapter of VVAW/WSO recently ran off a double-sided leaflet (5000 copies) for the UFW support group here. Also, we are conscientiously adhering to the boycott on head lettuce, grapes and bad wines.

Prison Project--We still have plans of holding concerts within the prison. Due to higher priorities and bureaucratic hassles within the prison, projects such as this must proceed on a slow, day to day basis. We have learned that organizing within the prison is not an overnight affair.

The resident psychiatrist at Lompoc Prison received the PVS Library from the Sub-regional Office. The library was met with favorable response and a long-term project may result, involving VVAW/WSO interaction with prisoners. It must be pointed out that this information (PVS Library) was requested several months ago by prisoners. In order to do effective prison organizing, requests of prisoners must be met with utmost speed and efficiency. Because prison organizing must be led by prisoners, we on the outside must do our best to facilitate their requests. We

must first learn from the prisoners what the conditions are and what direction must be taken by outside organizers. The Chapter is also doing work to get progressive literature into the prison, but is meeting stiff resistance from the prison administrations.

It has come to our attention that VVAW/WSO prisoners have had their outgoing mail confiscated by prison officials. It just so happens that the mail included VVAW/WSO applications being sent to the Santa Barbara Chapter. VVAW/WSO prisoners will soon be filing a writ against prison officials for their actions, in light of the recent Supreme Court ruling.

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**BUILD THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST MOVEMENT**

VVAW/WSO T-Shirts and Patches Available

The Washington, DC Chapter is selling VVAW/WSO T-shirts for \$3.00 apiece. If you buy over 10, they cost \$2.50. They come in small, medium and large. They are printed in the official colors of the organization on high-quality Fruit of the Loom T-shirts. Send check or money order to the new DC chapter address:  
1404 M Street NW, Washington, DC 20005.

VVAW/WSO patches can be ordered from the Miami chapter for 75¢ each. Write to: 2175 NW 26th St, Miami, Florida 33142.

Report from the Bellingham Chapter

(The following is an edited version of recent reports from the chapter in Bellingham, Washington.)

"We have been operating on the WWSC (Western Washington State College) campus for about three years and have much support in the community. Because the Northwest is a hard area to organize, we do have difficulty in other cities in getting coordinated actions going. As far as I know, we are the only active chapter in Washington. We're trying to change that, but have not had any success so far.

"We are currently running a conscience-raising series of films and discussions on universal and unconditional amnesty. We have gotten films through Ohio News-reel and clergy groups on amnesty and have had a pretty good turnout for the first one. We are also using the series to bring in new people from the community and are trying to build support for the chapter and organization through the series. We have just re-established contact with VAEA (Vancouver American Exiles Association) and are in the process of solidifying actions with them for future dates.

"We have made it known to the community that we have copies of the SPN's and have had many people come in regarding them. We are trying to set up a DUP project here in Bellingham, as there is no other group doing that in the area. We'd appreciate any information you can send us on setting up such a project. We're also into GI counseling and draft counseling and have been really successful in the past.

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We got over 700 signatures on the Dick Bucklin and Robert Johnson petitions at the Joan Baez concert and are using the names on the petitions to contact people for amnesty and to try to get some action going in the community. We also received lavish praise from Joan Baez during the concert for our amnesty work and our local support of the Safeway boycott with the Farmworkers here in Bellingham.

"See you in DC!"

#### Washington DC Chapter Office Burglarized

Sometime between 7 PM Saturday May 25th and 11 AM Sunday May 26th, the DC chapter office on P St was burglarized. Copies of the membership list and a three-year old Sears typewriter were taken. The regional office and the chapter coordinating committee suspect that the FBI burglarized the office to impede the efforts to build the DC chapter and the national action.

On Tuesday May 28th, over twenty members and supporters of the DC chapter held a protest picket line outside the Washington Field Office of the FBI. They demanded an end to illegal counterintelligence activities and informed the FBI that they would continue to build for the Demo.

#### Regional Action in Colorado--March From Boulder to Denver

(The following is a report from the Regional Office.) Our 41-mile march was very successful with about 25 people along the whole hike. The small towns were really blown when we came thru with our demands. . . . most older people could not follow the complete package deal but could agree with one or two demands. We surprised the hell out of the City Councils in all towns since they had given us parade permits but were expecting something totally different than the disciplined folks they saw leafletting in their towns. We spent the night at a Catholic Mission outside of Broomfield after putting in 30 miles for the day. I better mention that we joined with the United Mexican American Students on the front steps of a University building in a solidarity action. . . . they had just held the school building for several weeks in order to put across demands about Chicano studies, etc. This happened in Boulder as we passed thru the town on our way. In addition, in Broomfield, we joined with the United Farm Workers in a picket line outside the only Safeway Store in the city. A couple of the Farmworker people then completed the rest of the 20 miles with us. The police departments were cooperative all the way and thanks to the march organizers in Boulder and Denver, there was no trouble and a liberated zone all the way.

After arriving in Denver, we marched to the Veteran's Assistance Day at the Hilton Hotel where about 20 of us picketed and leafletted people in front of the entrance. Following that we marched to the Crusade for Justice headquarters where a Memorial Service was being held and paid our respects to the 6 Chicano activists who were killed by explosives being placed in their cars in Boulder earlier that week. Then on to the rally where about a hundred people listened to short talks by ourselves, a member of the Farmworkers, a member of the Communication Workers Local and Capital Hill Tenants Union, Clergy and Laity Concerned and a local poet. Everyone was satisfied with the complete march and happy also about the rally. We now have about 10 people attempting to put together some transportation to Washington and about 20 people who have said they are going.

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BUILD THE DEMO!

Demonstration Report

The Washington Demonstration Office opened its operations on June 1st. They can be reached at: Room 602 - 930 "F" Street NW - Washington, DC 20004 - The phone number is (202) 638-9317.

Support is rapidly growing for the demonstration among our own chapters and also among other organizations across the country. Recent national publicity has included a story in the GUARDIAN; an ad and short story in FOCAL POINT, the national publication of the Indochina Peace Campaign; a lengthy article in REVOLUTION, the national publication of the Revolutionary Union; an article in the BLACK PANTHER newspaper; an article in the national mailing of the National Council for Universal and Unconditional Amnesty (NCUUA); a leaflet about the demo was included in a 5,000-piece national mailing of the War Resisters League (WRL); and soon to appear will be an ad in the GUARDIAN and an ad in WIN Magazine, the publication of WRL; there will also be an article in the upcoming issue of AMEX-CANADA. In addition there has been growing support among veterans and GIs, as well as prisoners, even though they won't be attending.

SCENARIO - The same scenario is still in effect as was included in the previous newsletters. Many people are planning to come just on the 4th, particularly members of organizations that have endorsed the demonstration. The following information is for those people. The action on July 4th will be as follows: Assemble at 10:30 AM at the Lincoln Memorial. The march will begin at 11:30 proceeding on Bacon Drive up Constitution Avenue to the Ellipse. The rally at the Ellipse will begin at 12 noon. Speakers at the rally will be: Virginia Collins, NCUUA; Gary Lawton, RPPDC - VVAW/WSO; Sokhom Hing, Cambodian resident in the US; Sam Schorr, VVAW/WSO; there will also be entertainment as well; plans on entertainment are still being firmed up. Anyone knowing of some good political, folk-type entertainers that would like to perform at either the campsite or on the 4th should contact the Washington Office.

If there are organizations from your local chapter area that are going to participate in the march and rally on the 4th, please let the Demonstration Committee know as soon as possible. All organizations that endorse and support the five demands are welcome to attend. In the last newsletter, some of the national organizations that have endorsed the demonstration were listed. It would be good to contact their local groups for support. We would also like the addresses of these organizations so that we can send them last minute plans for the march and rally.

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## Troops Out Movement

The following report comes from the London Chapter of VAW/WSO and deals with their support for the Troops Out Movement.

In 1157, British troops invaded Ireland. Since then there has been constant struggle for the freedom of the Irish people. Ireland was Britain's first colony and it will be her last!

On Saturday, May 11, a conference was held in London by the Troops Out Movement which was attended by members of the VVAW/WSO United Kingdom Chapter. The following is a summary of that conference.

The war in Northern Ireland is the first Guerilla war waged in an urban setting in an "advanced" country. As such it is being used as a proving ground for police/military co-operation in suppression in such a setting. In many respects the same techniques are being used that have been used in British colonial wars since WW II, so we find internment (concentration camps, strategic hamlets), CS gas, which even the army admits is to punish the general public rather than deal with terrorists and torture.

The Army that is waging this war is sharply class-divided. Of the short service (3 year commitment) officers, 76% come from private schools. The enlisted men are drawn from the working class in depressed areas and are often recruited directly from reform schools. In order for the army to get away with what it is doing it requires the support of the British press. The cement that binds these three groups together is racism, though this was obviously much easier in Aden or Malaya. The army calls the Irish "paddies." Officers, enlisted, and press are encouraged to think of them as sub-human, just as we were encouraged to think of the "gooks" in Vietnam.

We are encouraged to think of the British as having a great respect for legal safeguards and judicial proceedings. A lawyer from the National Council of Civil Liberties talked about internment hearings in Belfast. All that is required is that a policeman (behind a blanket) says some informer has told him certain things. The lawyer and the accused can be excluded from this hearing if the policeman requests, and we were told of several instances of this happening when the police were caught in obvious lies so that they could change their story. We also learned of NCCL investigations into lies published in the press as facts coming from the army, only to find it impossible to learn where they came from.

A little over fifty years ago Ireland was artificially divided. It was an effort by the British to appear to grant Irish independence while maintaining economic control of the whole country and political control of the rich industrial north. Until three years ago, the north had a measure of political independence which the Protestant majority used to exploit the Catholic minority. Realizing these abuses were leading to a total breakdown in social order, necessary for the continued exploitation by British imperialism, the army was sent in. The British government closed down the Northern Irish Parliament and now runs the province from London.

It is now said that if the British were to withdraw there would be a blood-bath in Northern Ireland. It is amazing that after 800 years of bloodbath the British still think they know what is best for the Irish. It is important to note that in abusing the Catholics, the Protestants have always known that they had the British

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Army to protect them from the Catholic majority in the whole island. If the British were to withdraw, they would have to come to a accommodation. The Irish will settle their own problems and there will probably be no bloodbath.

The Army is very open about the use of Ireland as a training ground for possible use against the workers here in England. Chief Constables are being sent to Belfast to train in joint exercises and practice sessions have already commenced here with a major Army/Police exercise at London's major airport. During the recent miner's strike, Army units were sent home complete with their riot gear.

The British press has been a willing assistant to the Army in misleading the public and hiding the Army's operations. We had an excellent example of this the Monday after the conference when, in obvious response to the conference, phony "captured" IRA plans were released. We were told these showed how the IRA planned to destroy most of Belfast and commit outrages that would make Attila the Hun look kindly by comparison.

The purpose of the Troops Out Movement is to counter these lies. We of VVAW/WSO know that soldiers of an imperialist country are trained to kill and maim, not to keep the peace. Ireland can never be free so long as foreign troops are stationed there. That is why we support the Troops Out Movement.

#### VVAW/WSO Action at the Air Force Academy

On June 6th, the Colorado Springs Chapter and the Denver Chapter picketed the United States Air Force Academy Graduation Exercises where Vice-President Gerald Ford was speaking. There were 20 VVAW/WSO people up against a sea of Air Force Cadets and their families along with brass from all the bases around the area including representatives from South Vietnam, Chile, and other countries training here in the states. The chapters considered the action a success, especially in their raps with the Cadets and the Seniors who were graduating.

#### FBI Song

In response to mass pressure, Milwaukee has consented to reprint the words of their noted "FBI Song." The FBI office in Washington is in the same building as the Justice Department, so the song may come in useful. The tune is to "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town."

Oh, you better watch out, you better not jive, you better not frown,  
We're telling you why, the FBI has come to town.

They know if you are freaky; they know if you are straight;  
They know if you are left or right, or are out to SMASH THE STATE.

They're making a list and checking it twice, they're gonna find out who's  
eating brown rice, the FBI is coming to town.

They know if you are sleeping, they know if you're awake; they know if you are  
taking a shit, so cover your ass for goodness sake.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448082)

DATE: 7/8/74

FROM : SAC, [REDACTED] *RGH*

SUBJECT:

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
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DATE *12/20/77*

*b7D* [REDACTED] teletype to Bureau Headquarters dated  
5/24/74, as captioned as above. *u*

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The source utilized in the preparation of this  
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It is to be noted that a large amount of source's time during the conference sponsored by the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada, Montreal, Canada, on June 7-9, 1974, was spent [REDACTED]

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Attached LHM reflects that it was prepared by the [REDACTED] since the information contained therein could possibly identify the informant utilized [REDACTED]

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On June 20, 1974, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past advised the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada (AVPC) held a conference at the University of Quebec, Montreal, Canada, June 7-9, 1974, with the specific purpose to celebrate the Fifth Anniversary of the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG) of South Vietnam. *Q u*

The AVPC was self-described in 1971 as an organization of supporting the National Liberation Front (NLF) of South Vietnam against the United States and the South Vietnamese Government. This organization consisted of students and/or ex-students from South Vietnam, basically in Montreal, Canada, area. *Q u*

The above mentioned confidential source furnished the following information regarding this conference on June 20, 1974: *Q u*

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) sent representatives to this conference primarily to furnish a solidarity message from the VVAW/WSO with Southeast Asian representatives expressing sentiment against United States military involvement in Indo-China. *Q u*

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including

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communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the U.S. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

Approximately ten members of the VVAW/WSO attended this conference which included the following individuals: *CL*

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During the duration of the conference, the VVAW/WSO maintained a literature table for the specific purpose of selling VVAW/WSO posters, pamphlets, buttons, and copies of the "Winter Soldier", the official VVAW/WSO publication. This organization made approximately forty dollars through the sale of the above mentioned materials. *CL*

The itinerary for this conference was as follows:

8:00 p.m., June 7, 1974, opening sessions featuring speeches by:

1. Jane Fonda, actress and anti-war activist.
2. Georges Lebel, Professor of Law, University of Quebec, Montreal, Canada. *CL*

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3. Roger Pelletier, member of the Quebec Workers Movement; described as an organization of Quebec workers which expresses solidarity with the Vietnamese people. 44

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., June 8, 1974 -- workshop day. Discussion led by AVPC member regarding the theme of "Present Situation in Vietnam." 44

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., June 8, 1974, discussion led by Gareth Porter, AVPC member, regarding "Present Situation in Vietnam." 44

3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., June 8, 1974, discussion regarding the following:

- A. The "Third Force" and the question of political prisoners in South Vietnam. "Third Force" described as South Vietnamese people not associated with Thieu Regime and/or the PRG, who are hopeful of obtaining a new transitional government in South Vietnam. 44
- B. "The Struggle for National Independence in Vietnam" led by members of the AVPC.

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, June 9, 1974, Closing Discussions, Resolution and Friendship meeting. 44

12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., June 9, 1974. "Films and Slides regarding Vietnam." 44

In addition to the showing of films and slides, several guerilla theater groups performed regarding the current situation in Vietnam. Also, the entire conference participated in the singing of revolutionary songs. 44

Jane Fonda's speech on June 7, 1974, emphasized the current situation in Vietnam as it pertains to the Vietnam "Liberated Zones." Fonda emphasized that the people currently living in the "liberated zones" are very prosperous and are extremely happy with the entire situation.

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Resolutions passed at this conference generally condemned the government of South Vietnam for violations of the terms of the Paris Peace Agreement. In addition, attendees passed a resolution condemning the United States for continued support, financial and military, of the South Vietnamese Government. *Q4*

The total attendance was approximately 150 to 200 persons. Representatives from North Vietnam, the PRG, and Cambodia were not in attendance as it was stated the "Canadian Government denied travel visas to these individuals." *Q4*

It was estimated approximately sixty to eighty people from the United States were in attendance. Members of the Revolutionary Union (RU) and the Student Revolutionary Brigade (SRB) formerly known as the Attica Brigade, were observed in attendance. *Q4*

The RU was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semiclandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working-class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the U.S. Government by force and violence.

The Attica Brigade (AB) is a student based organization founded in New York City in the Fall of 1971. The AB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "U.S. imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world." The Revolutionary Union (RU) has significantly infiltrated the AB and plays a major role in the AB policies, decisions and activities.

The majority of discussions during this conference were of a general nature and highlighted the current situation in Vietnam since the Paris Peace Talks. *Q4*

The following is a solidarity message from the VVAW/WSO which was furnished to the AVPC:

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# VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, INC.

VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE

827 West Newport  
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June 1974

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Montreal Conference on Vietnam:

We of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization express our solidarity with the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada on the occasion of the Montreal Conference on Vietnam, celebrating the Fifth anniversary of the founding of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Vietnam. We recognize that only through the unified efforts of organizations such as the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada and VVAW/WSO will we be able to help force the government of the United States to honor the Paris Agreement on Vietnam and terminate all aid to the Thieu and Lon Nol dictatorships.

As a mass, anti-imperialist organization, many of whose members acted in the service of imperialism in Vietnam, we recognize our common enemy: U. S. imperialism which seeks to exploit the people of Indochina and the other peoples of the world in its ruthless search for profit. Often through our personal experience we recognize the correct path shown by the heroic Vietnamese people who, in their unified desire to liberate their country, and with politics in command, defeated the imperialist powers on the battlefield. We value the example shown by progress in living conditions in the liberated zones of South Vietnam, particularly when opposed by the corruption, prostitution, crime, drugs, and repression of the people in the areas of South Vietnam not yet liberated.

Despite the victory of the Vietnamese people, the U. S. government and its

puppet dictator in South Vietnam refuse to abide by the terms of the Agreements. The propaganda efforts of the Thieu regime as it proclaims the "coming major offensive of the Communists" are blatant efforts to cover-up Thieu's own increased ceasefire violations. In direct violation of the Agreements, the Saigon regime has now sabotaged the consultative conference and blocked the work of the Two-part Joint Military Commission. Meanwhile, the U. S. government has increased its aid to this puppet dictator while supporting all the attempts to subvert the Agreements. With you, we demand that the Agreements be implemented, and that the U. S. end all aid to Thieu and Lon Nol.

Hundreds of thousands of political prisoners remain in the miserable conditions of Thieu's prisons. Repression within South Vietnam increases as the people continue their struggle against Thieu and the neo-colonialism of the U. S. government. With you, we demand the release of all political prisoners held in South Vietnamese prisons.

In support of our common objectives, VVAW/WSO is organizing a demonstration in Washington, DC, which has, as one of its demands, "Implement the Agreements--End All Aid to Thieu and Lon Nol." Through this Demonstration, we believe we are supporting our common goals in the best way possible--by organizing the American people in the struggle against U. S. imperialism. Each blow against imperialism helps to bring the people of Vietnam closer to the total and final liberation of their country, a goal to which we rededicate ourselves.

We pledge to you our continuing support and solidarity in our common struggle. We look forward to continuing close relationships with the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada, and to final victory against the forces of U. S. imperialism.

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and to the inevitable victory for the liberation, the freedom, and the independence of the Vietnamese people, the other people of Southeast Asia, and all the peoples of the world.

IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENTS

FREE SOUTH VIETNAMESE POLITICAL PRISONERS

END ALL AID TO THIEU AND LON NOL

FINAL VICTORY TO THE PRG AS IT ENTERS ITS SIXTH YEAR

UNITY-STRUGGLE-VICTORY

In continuing Solidarity in the Struggle

The National Office of VVAW/WSO

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AGAINST THE WAR, CENTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
AT WASHINGTON, D. C., JULY 1 - 4, 1974  
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Enclosed for WFO and Chicago are two (2) copies  
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The source utilized in this LHM is [REDACTED]

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WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
JULY 1-4, 1974

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Vietnam Veterans Against The War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, U. S. Code 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), 793 (Espionage), 844 (Explosives and Incendiary Devices), 2155-56 (Sabotage) and 2101 (Antiriot Laws).

VVAW/WSO was organized in New York City in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest the American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. VVAW/WSO engaged in various protest activities but during late 1971 demonstrated increasing militancy, culminating in December, 1971 with VVAW/WSO takeover of various American landmarks and public buildings. Information was developed indicating that some VVAW/WSO chapters were cooperating with or infiltrated by communist-dominated groups including the Communist Party, USA, and the Socialist Workers Party. Certain VVAW/WSO leaders were quoted as telling members, VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization and not "just another group of war veterans." VVAW/WSO leaders have traveled to North Vietnam and have reportedly established liaison with revolutionary or terrorist groups internationally. During July, 1972, VVAW/WSO leaders and members were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury, Tallahassee, for violation of Federal statutes, including conspiracy to riot during Republican National Convention, August, 1972. One of these individuals was also indicted for

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possession of an unregistered explosive and incendiary device. in January, 1973, at a National Steering Committee meeting, VVAW/WSO leaders discussed programs aimed at obtaining support from or influencing active duty military personnel. They also discussed obtaining access to classified Government information to be used against U. S. interests and one leader subsequently actively engaged in such activity. There were also indications at this meeting that VVAW/WSO activists possessed the technical knowledge and training to carry out any revolutionary program proposed. In addition, information has been reported from a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, that a VVAW/WSO member previously discussed engaging in sabotage and was possibly involved in the destruction of a munitions train in Arizona. VVAW/WSO is currently headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

On July 5, 1974, a source advised that the above demonstration was attended by approximately 4,000 individuals from throughout the country. Source stated that the following list of individuals from the Cincinnati, Dayton and Columbus, Ohio areas, were observed at the rally, representing numerous organizations including the Revolutionary Union (RU), Attica Brigade (AB) and October League (OL):

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On 5/7/74, [REDACTED] furnished an envelope bearing no return address, and containing a one-page printout of telephone credit card numbers for major U.S. corporations and government agencies in a number of U.S. and Canadian cities. There was no accompanying letter with the printout and no indication who sent the printout. The Post Office stamp on the envelope showed the letter was mailed from Hartford, Connecticut. The envelope contained an address label, addressed to VVAW/WSO, Box 11212, Tampa, Florida, 33610.

It is noted that a number of the cities listed on the printout contain telephone credit card numbers for the FBI. The printout further comments that the credit card numbers appearing therein were verified prior to publication.

Contact with the Security Office of General Telephone Co., Tampa, Florida, disclosed that telephone credit card numbers [REDACTED] of a ten digit number followed [REDACTED]

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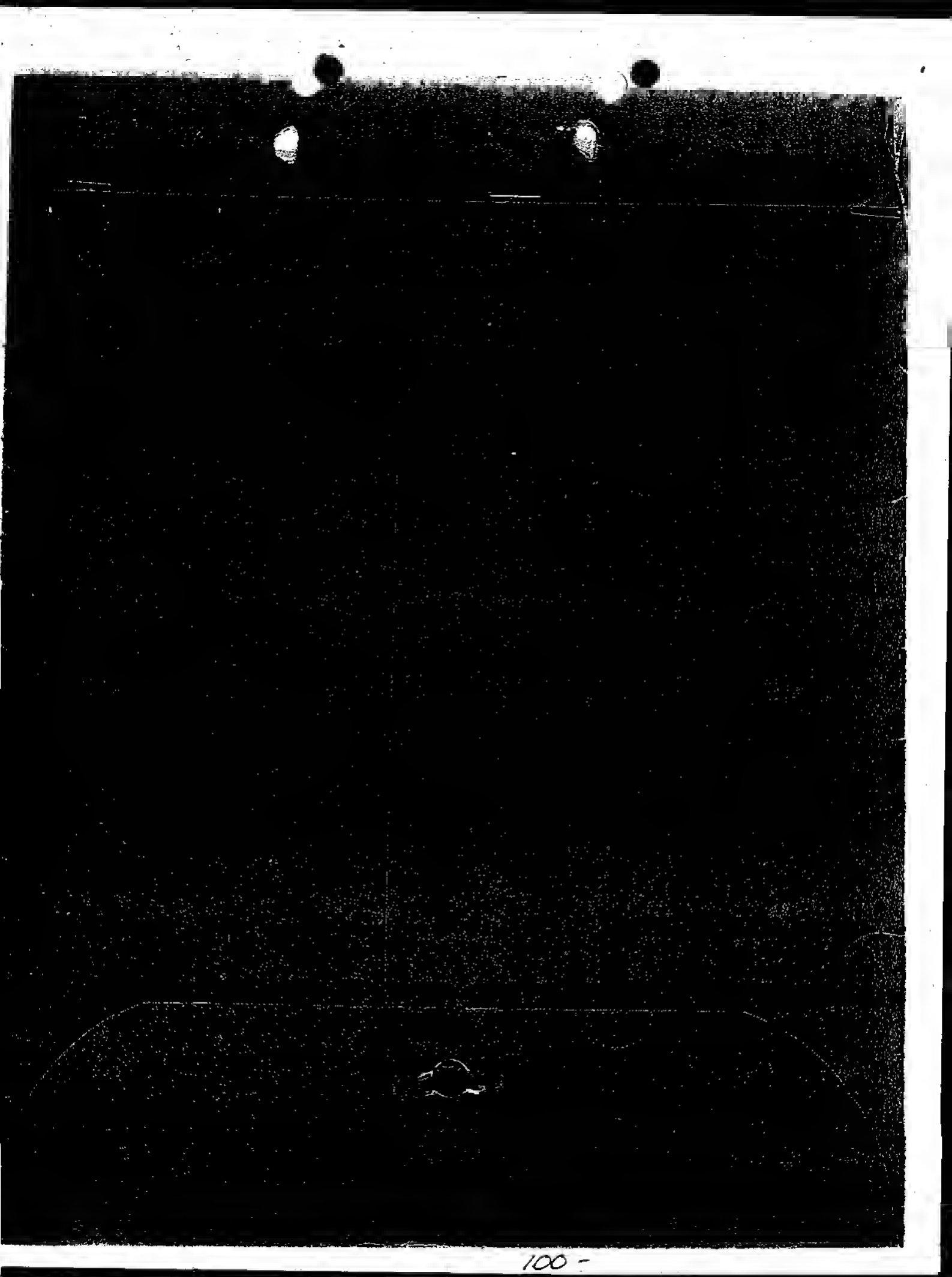
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by a letter. The first seven numbers consist of the published telephone number for the individual or corporation owning the credit card. The last three numbers represent the city or area credit card code number, and the letter is a code referring to one of the numbers in the listed telephone number. Information from the General Telephone Company was that any call made using a purported credit card number would probably be accepted as a legitimate number by the operator. The call would be completed and billed to the telephone number appearing on the credit card. In this way, any purported credit card number shown on the list for the FBI could be used with the FBI office being billed.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/17/74

SAC, ALBANY (100-23326) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
ONEONTA, NEW YORK, CHAPTER  
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This investigation is based on information which indicates that captioned organization is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), and 793 (Espionage).

At the present time [redacted] Avenue, Oneonta, New York, is the leader of the Oneonta Chapter of the VVAW/WSO. [redacted] has been active in attending demonstrations including demonstrations held 7/1-4/74 in Washington, D. C. [redacted] holds weekly meetings at the Oneonta Chapter of the State University College, Oneonta, N. Y. The Oneonta Chapter has attempted to increase its strength on campus through use of a college press at the State University, Oneonta, N. Y., as well as opening its weekly meeting to anyone that is willing to attend. The present membership consists of 24 members most of which are students at State University College, Oneonta, N. Y.

[redacted] is the only member of the Oneonta Chapter of the VVAW who is in a position to contact the regional and national headquarters of the VVAW.

Preliminary inquiries are being conducted on the below-mentioned individuals for the purpose of determining if they are either leaders or activists of the VVAW/WSO, activities of which could involve violations of Title 18, USC, Sections 2383, 2384, 2385, 2387 and 793:

Name	Address	REC-89	Indexed at Bureau
[redacted]	[redacted] Avenue Oneonta, New York	100-14470	Yes -3866
[redacted]	[redacted] Street Sidney, New York		Yes

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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Street Oneonta, N. Y.	No
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Street Oneonta, N. Y.	No
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Street Oneonta, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	Garrattsville Road Morris, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Court Oneonta, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	Unknown	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Avenue (city unknown)	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Avenue Oneonta, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Dewar Hall Hartwick, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	Unknown	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Street Oneonta, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Grant Hall Oneonta, N. Y.	No
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Hayse Hall Oneonta, N. Y.	No

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[REDACTED] Hays Hall

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[REDACTED] Avenue  
Oneonta, N. Y.

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Unknown

No

Investigation is presently being conducted on most  
of the above members of the Oneonta Chapter of the VVAW/WSO.

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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To: SACs, Albany (100-22519)  
Buffalo (100-21623)  
New York (100-160644)

7/12/74

From: Director, FBI

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO)  
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ReAirtel 7/12/74 which advised that a New York - Northern New Jersey VVAW/WSO Regional Conference is scheduled to be held at the State University of Oneonta, Oneonta, New York, the weekend of 7/27-28/74, and that approximately 50 VVAW/WSO members are expected to attend.

Albany, advise nature of coverage of referenced regional conference planned by your office. Buffalo and New York, submit your observations concerning the size and mode of travel of contingents from your respective areas to the conference and what informant coverage you anticipate providing.

1 - Chicago (100-50778)

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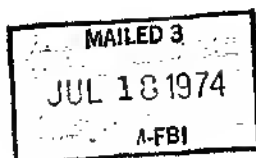
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NOTE:

Above to coordinate plans for necessary coverage of New York - Northern New Jersey VVAW/WSO Regional Conference at Oneonta, New York from 7/27-28/74 for purpose of determining results of conference and future direction of this VVAW region.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 7/19/74

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-53565) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

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RE: Newark letter to Bureau, 6/21/74.  
Newark teletypes to Bureau, 6/20/74, 6/25/74.

On 6/20/74, Corporal [REDACTED], Federal Protection Service, Federal Building, Newark, NJ, advised he had been contacted on 6/19/74, by Mr. JOHN HAGEN, Director, Veteran's Administration (VA), Regional Office, 20 Washington Place, Newark, NJ. He stated Mr. HAGEN told him that the VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAW) planned to demonstrate at the VA Regional Office at 12:30 pm, Tuesday, 6/25/74. Corporal [REDACTED] stated he had no other information regarding the demonstration at that time.

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b7C On 6/20/74, four unidentified white males, all approximately 18-22 years of age, were observed by SA [REDACTED] as they handed out literature in front of the Veteran's Administration Regional Office, 20 Washington Place, Newark, NJ. The items being handed out included the following:

A one page flyer announcing a demonstration to be held at the "Regional Veteran's Administration", 20 Washington Place, Newark, NJ, at 12:30 pm, 6/25/74. The announcement stated that the demonstration was being called by the "N.J. Committee for July 1-4 Demonstration, VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION". It advised that more information could be obtained by calling 201-653-1109.

A one page flyer announcing a "Mass Meeting" to be held 2:00 pm, Saturday, 6/22/74, at Vodra Hall, Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ, sponsored by the VVAW/WSO. The flyer also advised that a "Party and Dance Benefit" would be held 8:30 pm, Saturday, 6/22/74, at 161 Barrow Street, Jersey City, NJ.

A one page flyer announcing a demonstration to be held July 1-4, 1974, at Washington, D.C., to raise the following five demands of the VVAW/WSO:

1. Universal Unconditional Amnesty
2. Implement The Agreements-End All-Aid To Thieu and Lon Nol
3. Single Type Discharge For All Vets
4. Decent Benefits For All Vets
5. Kick NIXON Out

The flyer advised that anyone interested in attending the July 1-4 demonstration, or anyone wishing to know more about the VVAW/WSO should contact the New Jersey Committee for July 1-4, VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, P.O. Box 71, Hoboken, NJ, telephone number 201-653-1109.

b7C On 6/20/74, a source in a position to know advised that Post Office Box M-71, Hoboken, NJ, is subscribed to by one [REDACTED] made application for the box on 3/13/72, listed his business as "Hoboken Education Project", and gave his home and business address as [REDACTED] Hoboken, telephone number 963-[REDACTED] L.S.

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The source further advised that on 6/20/74, there was a letter in P.O. Box M-71 addressed to [redacted] from [redacted] China Publications Centre, P.O. Box 399, Peking, The Peoples Republic of China. & U

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On 6/20/74, a no-name pretext call was placed by SA [redacted] to telephone number 201-653 [redacted] under the guise of an individual interested in attending VVAW/WSO activities. An individual, who later identified himself as [redacted] (phonetic), answered the telephone and advised there would be a short meeting of the VVAW/WSO and a showing of the movie "Only The Beginning" at Vodra Hall, Jersey City State College, Jersey City, NJ, at 2:00 pm, Saturday, 6/22/74. He stated there would also be a fund-raising party at "El Centro" Bar, 161 Barrow Street, Jersey City, NJ, at 8:30 pm, on 6/22/74. He said he expected a turnout of about 200 people at the two events.

[redacted] advised he would be in attendance at a VVAW/WSO demonstration at Washington Park, Newark, NJ, on 6/25/74. He stated the demonstration at Newark was to build support for the VVAW/WSO demonstration in Washington, D.C., 7/1-4/74. He said buses to the Washington, D.C., demonstration, would be made available and probably would depart Jersey City, NJ, at 6:00 am, 7/4/74, and return to Jersey City at about 10:00 pm that same night.

During the course of the telephone conversation, [redacted] mentioned he was employed by the United States Post Office, Kearny, NJ.

On 6/21/74, Mr. [redacted] Security and Safety, Jersey City State College, Jersey City, NJ, advised he was unaware that the VVAW/WSO intended to hold a meeting at the Jersey City State campus on 6/22/74. He stated he would attempt to provide coverage of the meeting.

On 6/22/74, at 10:30 pm, SA [redacted] placed a no-name call to the "El Centro" Bar, Jersey City, NJ, telephone number 201-432-2959. An individual identifying himself as [redacted] (Phonetic) advised that a VVAW/WSO fund raising party was in progress at "El Centro", but that attendance was not nearly as large as he had hoped. He stated that approximately 40 people had attended a VVAW/WSO meeting that afternoon at Jersey City State College.

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N.J. [redacted] invited the caller to come to the VVAW/WSO party at El Centro and said to ask for him, [redacted] or [redacted] upon arriving at the party.

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On 6/24/74, Mr. [redacted] Security and Safety, Jersey City State College, Jersey City, NJ, advised that the VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR held a meeting from 1:15-4:30 pm, 6/22/74, in Vodra Hall, Jersey City State College. He stated that arrangements for the meeting were made by one [redacted] SSAN [redacted] who resides at [redacted] Jersey City, NJ.

Mr. [redacted] advised that the meeting was quiet and orderly and that a movie was shown to the attendees. He stated he did not know the names of any of the individuals in attendance.

On 6/24/74, Detective [redacted] Newark, NJ, PD, advised that on 6/18/74, [redacted] and [redacted] applied at Newark PD headquarters and City Hall for a permit to hold a demonstration from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm in Washington Park, Newark. He said [redacted] and [redacted] stated they wanted to demonstrate for Veteran's benefits and set up an information line in front of the Veteran's Administration building, Newark.

Detective [redacted] advised that a permit to demonstrate and a permit for a bullhorn were issued to "The July 4th Action Committee". He stated that [redacted] listed his residence as [redacted] Street, Orange, NJ, telephone number 672-[redacted] [redacted] stated he was from Jersey City, NJ.

On 6/24/74, Mr. [redacted] Director, Veterans Administration Regional Office, 20 Washington Place, Newark, NJ, advised he was aware of the planned demonstration by the VVAW/WSO to be held at the VA building, 6/25/74, but stated he had not been contacted directly by any of the VVAW/WSO members.

Mr. [redacted] advised he had arranged for a contingent from the Federal Protection Service to be present at the VA building on 6/25/74, as a precautionary measure.

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b7c On 6/25/74, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] observed a group of approximately 30 male and 10 female individuals conducting a demonstration which began at Washington Park, Newark, NJ, directly across the street from the main entrance of the Veterans Administration Regional Office, 20 Washington Place, Newark.

At approximately 12:30 pm, the demonstrators assembled at Washington Park and began to march in a circular pattern, chanting slogans and carrying posters and banners. The following are some of the banners observed:

1. KICK NIXON OUT-New Jersey Workers, Comm. TO THROW THE BUM OUT". //
2. "ON TO WASHINGTON DEMONSTRATION, JULY 1-4 VVAW/WSO"
3. "END ALL AID TO U.S. PUPPETS THIEU & LON NOL-Revolutionary Students Brigade" ///
4. "AMNESTY NOW"
5. "VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION:"
6. "BUILD THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST VETERANS MOVEMENT-REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU)" //

The most frequent chant used was "Millions in aid for Saigon's Thieu, nothing left for me and you".

b7c While demonstrators marched three speakers alternately spoke about the five demands of the VVAW/WSO: Universal Unconditional Amnesty; Implement the agreements-end all aid to Thieu and Lon Nol; single type discharge for all vets; decent benefits for all vets; Kick NIXON out. Two of the speakers, both white males, were not immediately identified. The third speaker, also a white male, was introduced as [redacted] (phonetic). The speakers displayed what they described as a "list" of grievances against the VA and the government in general. They stated that it was about fifty feet long and would be joined with several other lists from around the country, and wrapped around the VA building in Washington, D.C., during the July 1-4 demonstration.

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
JULY 1-4, 1974

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From Dayton:

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REVOLUTIONARY UNION  
also known as  
RED UNION  
BAY AREA REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (RU) was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semiclandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working-class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.

ATTICA BRIGADE

The Attica Brigade (AB) is a student based organization founded in New York City in the Fall of 1971. The AB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "United States world." The Revolutionary Union (RU) has significantly infiltrated the AB and plays a major role in AB policies, decisions, and activities.

OCTOBER LEAGUE (MARXIST-LENINIST) (OL)

The October League (OL) was formed in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, as an informal group of Marxist-Leninist individuals with the purpose of instilling in the working class a Marxist-Leninist philosophy. In late 1971, its founders decided to organize nationally to form a

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new Maoist oriented communist party in the United States with the purpose of uniting and leading the working class and its allies, the oppressed minorities, in a military insurrection to establish a new proletarian state. As of January, 1974, the OL claimed to have nine chapters and is continuing to expand nationally. Numerous OL leaders and members have visited the People's Republic of China, and the OL is known to have received financial support from the Chinese Government.

The aforementioned source stated that upon arrival at a marshalled area for the demonstration, on the morning of July 4, 1974, all demonstrators were requested to register and receive identification cards bearing a number and the region from which the individual came. The demonstration was formed at 10:30 AM by region and within each region, by contingent, i.e., VVAW, AB, etc. At 11:30 AM, the demonstration commenced by marching around the area of the "Elipse" and terminated at noon, in front of the White House.

Source stated that at 3:45 PM an amnesty rally was held which numerous Yippies unsuccessfully attempted to break up. Source added that the Yippies were put down by members of the VVAW "Security Forces". The demonstrators then marched back to the marshalled area without a parade permit and subsequently dispersed at 4:30 PM.

YOUTH INTERNATIONAL PARTY,  
Also Known As Yippies

The Youth International Party, also known as Yippies, is a loosely knit, anti-establishment, violence prone youth organization formed in New York City in January, 1968. In May, 1972, a small faction calling itself YIP-Zippie came into being, but currently does not exist as an organized faction of YIP.

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AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
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Source, who was present on July 4, 1974, did not personally observe any incidents between demonstrators and police, however, learned that [REDACTED] from Cincinnati, had been clubbed on July 2, 1974, by a Washington, D. C. police officer, when she was part of a small group of demonstrators attempting to march in the street instead of on the sidewalk, as directed by the police. Source added that he learned that [REDACTED] of the VVAW National Office in Chicago, Illinois, remained in Chicago and was not a participant of the rally.

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TO: SAC,

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION; INTERNAL SECURITY

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RE: TEL DATED JULY 17, 1974, WHEREIN BUREAU AUTHORITY WAS REQUESTED TO PAY \$99.00 ABOVE REGULARLY AUTHORIZED EXPENSES TO COVER EXTRA EXPENSES ARISING OUT OF TRAVEL TO NEW YORK CITY DURING PERIOD JULY 6 - 13, 1974, BUREAU AUTHORITY GRANTED TO PAY THIS AMOUNT TO INFORMANT TO COVER EXTRA EXPENSES INCURRED.

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Source is [redacted] Chapter of VVAW/WSO and [redacted] Source [redacted] VVAW/WSO and [redacted]

Bureau authority was granted for [redacted] to travel to Washington, D. C., to afford coverage of VVAW/WSO demonstration, 7/1 - 4/74, and to pay him up to \$80.00 over and above regularly authorized expenses. Source ordinarily receives up to \$250.00 per month for services and up to \$75.00 per month for expenses. After demonstration source and [redacted] VVAW/WSO members

It is noted, however, that [redacted] authorized informant to travel [redacted] in the

[redacted] to establish contact [redacted] of VVAW/WSO in order [redacted] Region. This matter [redacted] on source's visit to [redacted] Expenses of \$99.00 include [redacted]

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transportation, \$35.00; food, \$45.00; donations, \$4.00;  
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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

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RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO [REDACTED] APRIL 29, 1974, BUREAU FILE  
[REDACTED] TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 27, 1974, AND  
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ON JULY 15, 1974, [REDACTED] RETURNED FROM  
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OURING [REDACTED] INCURRED FOLLOWING  
EXPENSES: TRANSPORTATION \$35.00; FOOD \$45.00; DONATIONS \$4.00;

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SOURCE CURRENTLY BEING DEBRIEFED RE WASHINGTON, D. C. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE  
ADVISED AFTER DEBRIEFING.

BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO PAY SOURCE \$99.00 ABOVE  
REGULARLY AUTHORIZED EXPENSES TO COVER EXPENSES [REDACTED]

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At 12:55 pm, one of the demonstration speakers announced that the group would then enter the VA building, Newark, to present their demands to VA Regional Director PAUL HAGAN. The speaker stated "The VA is a public building and we have every right to go in there-so let's go!" The demonstrators then crossed the street and entered the VA building through the Halsey Street entrance.

As the demonstrators crammed into the VA building lobby, they were blocked from proceeding further into the building by officers of the Federal Protection Agency. At 1:05 pm, approximately 50 officers of the Newark, NJ, PD, arrived at the VA building and by utilizing a "human wall", swiftly removed the demonstrators from the building. There were no arrests made and no injuries were incurred by the police or demonstrators.

During the attempt to enter the VA building, eight demonstrators managed to get by the guards and took an elevator to the fifth floor office of VA Regional Director HAGAN. After hanging a VVAW/WSO banner from a fifth floor window and creating a minor disturbance, the eight demonstrators were permitted to discuss the demands of the VVAW/WSO with Mr. HAGAN. The demonstrators did not cause any noticeable damage to government property while occupying the building.

At approximately 2:00 pm, the eight demonstrators peacefully left the VA building and rejoined the other demonstrators who had resumed their marching and chanting in Washington Park.

b7c [REDACTED] At the conclusion of the demonstration, speaker [REDACTED] again announced the July 1-4 VVAW/WSO demonstration at Washington, D.C. The demonstrators disbanded without further incident at 2:15 pm.

During the course of the demonstration, several stickers were affixed to windows of the VA building announcing the July 1-4 demonstration at Washington, D.C. The stickers were stamped "VVAW/WSO-New York Chapter, telephone number 473-3636".

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Individuals participating in the demonstration  
identified from photographs by SAs [redacted] and  
[redacted] were as follows:



Vehicles observed parked near the demonstration  
were as follows:

1. New Jersey license RJE-461, 1972 Lincoln  
registered to [redacted]  
[redacted] Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ
2. New Jersey license 272-AKG, 1970 Chevrolet  
registered to [redacted]  
[redacted] Avenue  
Irvington, NJ.
3. New Jersey license 412-ASP, 1971 Volkswagen,  
green, registered to [redacted]  
[redacted] Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ

Demonstrators whose names appeared in newspaper  
articles and/or television interviews were as follows:

[redacted]  
Jersey City, NJ

[redacted] age [redacted]  
East Range, NJ

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[REDACTED] age [REDACTED]  
Clifton, NJ

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R. APPROX.

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NI  
[REDACTED], Negro male  
no address given

Newark indices negative regarding [REDACTED]

and

Newark file 100-52400 (Bureau file 100-469973)  
entitled "REVOLUTIONARY UNION, IS-RU (OO: CG)"  
re: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-56391 (New York file 100-162457) captioned [REDACTED]  
SM-RU (OO: NEW YORK)".

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-56348 (Bureau file 100-468456, New York file 100-173697)  
captioned [REDACTED], SM-RU".

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-56098, captioned [REDACTED] SM-RU (OO: NEWARK)".

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file 100-56512  
captioned [REDACTED] SM-RU (OO: NEWARK)".

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-54377 captioned [REDACTED] captioned [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SM-VB (OO: NEWARK)".

[REDACTED] is subject of Newark file 100-56087  
(RUC status) (Buffalo file 100-22445) captioned [REDACTED]  
SM-RU (OO: BUFFALO).

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark  
Newark file 100-55164, captioned [REDACTED] SM-VB  
(OO: NEWARK)".

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[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-56201 captioned [REDACTED] SM (OO: NEWARK)".

[REDACTED] is subject of pending Newark file  
100-54979 captioned [REDACTED] SM (OO: NEWARK)".

[REDACTED] appears identical to subject of closed  
Newark file 140-6052 captioned [REDACTED]  
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, KEARNY, NEW JERSEY: SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT  
EMPLOYEES". The Newark file reflects [REDACTED] travelled to  
Cuba in 1972, as a member of the VENCEREMOS BRIGADE. As of  
January, 1973, [REDACTED] was active in and a member of the  
coordinating committee of the VVAW in New York City (New York  
file 100-176560).

[REDACTED] appears identical to subject of pending  
Newark file 140-6098, captioned [REDACTED]  
Mail Handler, U.S. Postal Service, Jersey City, New Jersey,  
SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES."

On 6/28/74, [REDACTED] advised that the New Jersey  
contingent of demonstrators for the VVAW/WSO July 1-4 demonstration  
at Washington, D.C., will depart for Washington, D.C., at 6:00 am,  
7/4/74, from Penn Station, Newark, NJ, and will return the same  
night. *W*

LEADS

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NY: If not already known, determine  
subscriber of telephone 212-473-[REDACTED]

NEWARK

AT NEWARK, NJ: Newark will conduct preliminary  
inquiries to determine the extent of involvement of the following  
individuals in VVAW/WSO and RU activities:

[REDACTED] age [REDACTED]

East Range, NJ

[REDACTED] age [REDACTED]

Clifton, NJ

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Street  
Orange, NJ, telephone number 672 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Avenue  
Jersey City, NJ  
SSAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Boulevard  
Jersey City, NJ

[REDACTED]

telephone number 201-653 [REDACTED]

Upon determining extent of [REDACTED] activities  
and after verification of his present employment status with  
the United States Postal Service, Kearny, NJ, a LHM will be  
submitted to Bureau under SGE caption.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Street  
Elizabeth, NJ

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Elizabeth, NJ

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[REDACTED] Street  
Elizabeth, NJ

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[REDACTED] Mary Street  
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2. Obtain photographs of 6/22/74, demonstration at Newark from Detective [REDACTED] Newark, NJ, PD. Forward photographs of unknown demonstration leaders to New York Office for possible identification.

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The source mentioned is Mr. [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] United States Post Office, River  
Street, [REDACTED], New Jersey. 64

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Date: 7/15/74

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: *RGH* DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)  
 FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772)  
 SUBJECT: *Leo* VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER  
 SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW, - WSO)  
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The next VVAW-WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) is scheduled to be held in Buffalo, New York, 8/8-12/74. *b7c*

As in the past, it is most imperative that we have coverage of the NSCM, and in this connection it is believed that offices receiving this communication are those with sources who could logically attend and furnish good coverage of the NSCM. *Bo*

All offices with sources in a position to attend the NSCM should request Bureau approval for their travel to Buffalo and coordinate pertinent details with Buffalo.

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Special Agent in Charge

CG 100-50772

Chicago following and will furnish Bureau and interested offices with any additional pertinent information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. R. Wannan

- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Each Assistant Director

DATE: 7/11/74

FROM :

- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
INTERNAL SECURITY

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## PURPOSE:

To advise of current status of VVAW/WSO and recommendation for future investigative action regarding this organization.

## BACKGROUND:

The VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 11-15, 1974, adopted a proposal defining VVAW/WSO as mass anti-imperialist organization. Citing the need for uniting as many people as possible to combat U. S. imperialism, the National Collective (NC), VVAW/WSO, reported it has been able to unite with such diverse elements as the National Council of Churches on the one hand and the Revolutionary Union (RU) and October League (OL) on the other hand. RU and OL are both Marxist-Leninist-Maoist basic revolutionary organizations. RU espouses the overthrow of the U. S. Government by force and violence. The NC, consisting of six leaders, is Marxist-Leninist oriented, and Samuel Scobor, the principal national coordinator, has stated that it is necessary to promote the education of entire membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine, directing the organization into political growth along Marxist-Leninist lines. During this NSCM, there were indications among some chapter representatives of dissatisfaction with the promulgation by NC of Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

As a consequence of above, FBI Headquarters directed airtel to 25 select offices under caption "VVAW/WSO; IS," dated 5/20/74, requesting information to determine number of chapters, membership, support of NC, and whether influenced by Marxism-Leninism or other violence-prone philosophy. The following information has been developed: 42 chapters of varying degree of activity with 432 maximum members exist in these field office territories. While a substantial number support the policies of NC, many are not Marxist-Leninist oriented; however, chapters in Baltimore, Chicago, Cincinnati, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and New York do support Marxist-Leninist line and some have close ties with RU. NC has encouraged certain chapter

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Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall  
Rs: Vistnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization

Leaders to participate in RU educational meetings and discussions. The RU has indicated a strong interest in VVAW/WSO and in some instances has reported control at chapter level of the VVAW/WSO. While VVAW/WSO has had contacts, both overt and covert, in the past with hostile foreign intelligence and international terroristic and revolutionary groups, there is no evidence of foreign domination.

OBSERVATIONS:

The cessation of American troop participation in Indochina War has had substantial effect on membership of VVAW/WSO and numerous individuals and many chapters have withdrawn from this organization or ceased to exist. An informant has reported that National Coordinator Samuel Schorr is seeking to make VVAW/WSO a Marxist-Leninist organization consisting of a small hard-core membership closely aligned with Marxism-Leninism. At present the leadership does not subscribe to violent tactics to obtain its goals.

The promulgation of Marxism-Leninism by NC and new definition of VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization working in concert with individuals and organizations covering a wide spectrum of opinion denotes movement of VVAW/WSO from a mass protest organization into a revolutionary political posture. An informant close to the NC advised the NC believes that the masses will eventually create a revolution and VVAW/WSO will be considered a "vanguard organization" in this struggle. This belief, coupled with Marxist-Leninist advocacy of the leadership, requires that we continue investigation of NC, as well as those chapters and individuals supporting such concepts. Investigation should be discontinued on those chapters and individuals acting in a legitimate protest capacity and rejecting Marxism-Leninism. Activities of this organization and its members could involve violations of Titles 18, U. S. Code, Sections 2383 (Rebellion and Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating the Overthrow of the Government), and 2387 (Sedition). A new predication will be furnished to the field offices separately.

RECOMMENDATION:

That attached airtel be approved and sent to all offices.

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Each Assistant Director

REC 17/100-44-3870  
To: SAC, Albany

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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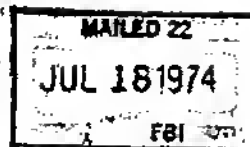
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Airtel to Albany

Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization

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Re: Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
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Accordingly, each recipient office should thoroughly review investigations of VVAW/WSO chapters and individual members to assure that they meet the qualifications for continued investigation. If not, the cases should be placed in a closed status and FBI Headquarters advised.

It is recognized that VVAW/WSO chapters are subject to continuous change in direction and control, as well as allegiance to the NC. Each office is expected to have sufficient coverage of subversive matters to detect changes within local VVAW/WSO chapters which would require investigation or closing of the case.

Based on mem [REDACTED] W. R. Wannall, same caption, dated 7/11/74.

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2:37 AM JULY 13, 1974 NITEL ~~TELETYPE~~ 974 GMM

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

SAC, CHICAGO (100-50772)

SAC, BUFFALO (100-21623)

SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

SAC, KANSAS CITY

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (100-22519) (P)

ATTN: INTD

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), IS. OO: CHICAGO.

RE ALBANY TELCAL TO ~~REDACTED~~ OF THE KANSAS CITY  
OFFICE, JULY 12, 1974.

ON JULY 10, 1974, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS  
FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT AT  
A MEETING OF THE ONEONTA, NEW YORK, VVAW/WSO CHAPTER HELD  
JULY 9, 1974, HATE MAIL TO BE SENT TO U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

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FRANK G. THEIS WAS DISCUSSED. [REDACTED], HEAD OF  
THE ONEONTA CHAPTER OF VVAW/WSO, ADMITTED THAT A NATIONAL  
PROGRAM WAS TO BE INSTITUTED WHEREIN MEMBERS OF ALL CHAPTERS  
WERE ASKED TO WRITE LETTERS AND POSTCARDS TO JUDGE THEIS  
AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING, WICHITA, KANSAS, WHEREIN THE  
JUDGE WOULD BE ADMONISHED CONCERNING THE FORTHCOMING TRIAL  
OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED WITH A DISTURBANCE AT LEAVENWORTH  
PENITENTIARY. THE SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE  
LETTERS WOULD BE LEFT UP TO EACH INDIVIDUAL SENDING IT.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT THREATENING LETTERS  
AND OTHER MAIL OF THIS SORT WOULD BE RECEIVED BY JUDGE THEIS.

SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT A REGIONAL MEETING OF THE  
NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY REGION WOULD BE HELD AT STATE  
UNIVERSITY OF ONEONTA, ONEONTA, NY, THE WEEKEND OF JULY  
27-28, 1974. SOURCE ADVISED THAT THIS MEETING WAS FORMERLY  
TO BE HELD AT THE FARM OF [REDACTED] HIGHLAND FALLS, NEW YORK.  
APPROXIMATELY 50 MEMBERS OF THE VVAW/WSO ARE EXPECTED TO  
ATTEND THE CONFERENCE.

THE VVAW WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF  
VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE



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WAS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE THAT TIME UMAN LEADERS HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THE UMAN IS A REVOLUTIONARY GROUP, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." ALSO, THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD THE UMAN HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND NAZIST GROUPS. ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS INDICATED THAT "ANTI-IMPERIALIST GROUPS" CONSIDER THE UMAN A POTENTIAL ORGANIZATION OF SIMILAR STATUS IN THE U.S. IN APRIL, 1977, THE GROUP CHANGED THEIR NAME TO UMAN/MSO SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT UMAN/MSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENINIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

~~SECRET AND NO DISSEM, NOFORN, NOFORN DISSEM.~~

ADMINISTRATIVE:

SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED]

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ALBANY AT ONEONTA, NY: WILL KEEP THE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED RE THIS PLANNED REGIONAL MEETING AND WILL BE HANDLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAC LETTER 72-~~2~~ *fr*.

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6:45PM NITEL JULY 23, 1974 LSK

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-58772)

FROM MILWAUKEE (100-15674) (P) 3 PAGES

ATT: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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ON *1/24/95*

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO); IS: 00: CHICAGO.

SOURCE, WHO HAS SUPPLIED RELIABLE INFO IN PAST, ADVISED  
JULY 22, LAST, THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE AT A  
REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) - SPONSORED BENEFIT, WHICH TOOK PLACE  
JULY 20, LAST:

THE RU WAS FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 AND IS A MILITANT,  
SEMI-CLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION. ITS OBJECTIVE, AS SET OUT  
IN ITS PUBLICATIONS, ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT  
AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING-  
CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, AND THE FORMATION OF

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A COMMUNIST PARTY BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE.

THE MILWAUKEE VIETNAME VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR / WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAV/WSO) CHAPTER WAS PLANNING A DEMONSTRATION AT THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS, 342 NORTH WATER STREET, MILWAUKEE, WIS., ON AUGUST 6, NEXT. DETAILS AS TO EXACT TIME WILL BE PLANNED AT A FUTURE DATE. APPROXIMATELY 15-25 ANTICIPATED TO ATTEND WITH NO VIOLENCE OR INCIDENTS EXPECTED.

THE VVAV WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF VIETNAME VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE THAT TIME VVAV LEADERS HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THE VVAV IS A REVOLUTIONARY GROUP, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." ALSO, THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD THAT VVAV HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MAOIST GROUPS. ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS INDICATED THAT " ANTI -

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IMPERIALIST GROUPS" CONSIDER THE VVAV A POTENT ORGANIZATION OF SIMILAR STATURE IN THE U.S. IN APRIL, 1973, THE GROUP CHANGED THEIR NAME TO VVAV/NSO SO NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAV/NSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENINIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

VA, MILWAUKEE PD, MILWAUKEE SECRET SERVICE, AND SECURITY FORCE, FEDERAL BUILDING, ALL ADVISED INSTANT DATE.  
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TO DIRECTOR (7-15200)

LOS ANGELES (7-1627)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (7-355) (P) 2P

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RE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINIER SOLDIERS  
ORGANIZATION, (VVAW/MSO)

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE JULY 14, LAST INQUIRING IF  
INVESTIGATION HAS DEVELOPED ANY ASSOCIATION BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED] AND MEMBERS VVAW.

SAN FRANCISCO HAS PREVIOUSLY ADVISED THAT CONTACTS OF  
MEMBERS OF THE SLA IN SAN FRANCISCO INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING  
INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE ACTIVE IN THE VVAW: [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED] SLA MEMBERS, AND ASSOCIATES OF SLA, [REDACTED]  
AND [REDACTED] ALSO ACTIVE IN THE VVAW.

LOS ANGELES ALSO INQUIRED IF [REDACTED] BARRY ROMO,  
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ACTIVE VVAW IN LOS ANGELES, WERE  
KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE [REDACTED] IN THE PAST.

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NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED OF ANY CONTACT BETWEEN  
THE FOUR PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED INDIVIDUALS AND [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN ADVISED OF THE ACTIVITIES  
OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] IN THE FELTON, CALIFORNIA, AREA.  
INVESTIGATION THERE INDICATED NO CONTACTS WITH SLA FUGITIVES  
[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE MEETING  
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI  
JUNE 7-9, 1974

"WHAT TO DO WHEN THE FBI COMES, PLUS THE LOCAL PIGS."

At least 20 Federal agencies engage in surveillance. Chief among these is the FBI with thousands of agents investigating political activities. In addition, city, county and state police maintain dossiers on citizens and groups they suspect of "radical" tendencies or behavior. Help reverse this trend toward massive political surveillance and police state methods. u

IN ALL CASES, IT IS BEST TO TELL THEM POLITELY BUT FIRMLY THAT YOU DO NOT WANT TO TALK WITH THEM AND YOU WANT THEM TO LEAVE. BE DIRECT. YOU HAVE THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO:

1. REMAIN SILENT
2. NOT IDENTIFY ANYONE, INCLUDING YOURSELF
3. NOT SIGN ANYTHING
4. NOT ALLOW ANYONE WITHOUT A PROPER SEARCH WARRANT INTO YOUR HOME
5. NOT GO WITH ANYONE WHO HAS NOT PLACED YOU UNDER LEGAL ARREST.

NEITHER THE FBI NOR LOCAL POLICE HAVE ANY SUBPOENA POWER.

CONTACT REGIONAL COLLECTIVE IMMEDIATELY''' 2532 N. HOLTON  
414-562-9371. u

It may not be easy to protect your rights. Persuasion, threats, bribes are often used to get people to talk. Agents may exploit your fears or insecurities. They may try to make you feel guilty for not giving simple and readily available information. Don't be drawn into conversation by answering "harmless" questions such as: What's your name? Do you live here? When does your friend get home from work? Remember, if you start talking, it may be more difficult to stop than you expect. u



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NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE MEETING  
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WARRANTS - SEARCH WARRANTS - AND ARREST WARRANTS

SEARCH WARRANT: IS A LEGAL PAPER SIGNED BY A JUDGE THAT PERMITS THE COPS TO SEARCH YOUR HOME, OFFICE OR CAR. A JUDGE ISSUES A SEARCH WARRANT AFTER THE COPS HAVE CONVINCED HIM THAT SOME KIND OF CRIME IS OCCURRING ON THE PREMISES.

CHECK OUT THE WARRANT: IF IT'S A SEARCH WARRANT, IT SHOULD HAVE:

1. DATE OF SEARCH
  2. SPECIFIC ADDRESS TO BE SEARCHED (UPPER OR LOWER FLAT)
  3. THE OWNER OR TENANT
  4. THE EXACT PLACE OR PLACES TO BE SEARCHED
  5. WHAT THEY'RE SPECIFICALLY LOOKING FOR
  6. JUDGE'S SIGNATURE
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COVER YOUR ASS - ITS NO GAME  
~~VVAW/WSO DEFENSE COMMITTEE~~  
2532 N. HOLTON/562-9371  
COVER YOUR FRIENDS ASS - IT AINT NO GAME''

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SECURITY: A COMPILATION OF TRENDS, TACTICS AND PAST EXPERIENCE

As we have learned from such revelations as the Watergate investigation, the Media, Pennsylvania FBI files and exposure of the FBI's domestic counterintelligence program, (COINTELPRO), the federal government, along with state and local governments, has long operated an extensive program designed to paralyze or actually destroy organized social protest in the U.S. The tragic experience of the Black Panther Party and the murders of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark are but some of the more notorious examples of this 'domestic counterintelligence' program; there are thousands of others occurring on a daily basis.

VVAW/WSO has not been excluded from the watchful eye and outright attack of 'big brother' in this process. Almost from its inception, VVAW/WSO has been the target of extensive surveillance, infiltration by agents provocateur, harassment, and overt intimidation by intelligence, security or similar 'law enforcement' agencies. The list of such experiences would take much more space than can be allowed in the context of this paper and it is all too widely understood by all but our most inexperienced members. Truthfully, those agencies of either the federal government (civilian or military) or state and local governments (often under programs such as those funded by LEAA) that have not, at one time or another, on a regular or irregular basis, been actively concerned with our organization are hard to find.

Since the trial of the Gainesville Eight, this situation has not changed in the slightest. If anything, the amount of harassment we have received from these agencies has dramatically increased. Police agents and agents provocateur still surface in our membership. There is a steady flow of FBI contacts; attempts to interrogate our members; attempts to bribe or blackmail our members into spying or acting as agent provocateurs; harassment of members around their jobs; anonymous or crank phone calls trying to intimidate members; overt surveillance; etc. And on and on it goes. Such, unfortunately, are the facts of life for those active in the movement for meaningful social change. Seizing upon opportunities to hide their increased repression behind widely publicized incidents/ major crisis, the Wounded Knee occupation, the emergence of the SRA, etc., the FBI and other police agencies have found excuses to dramatically increase their repression of the left and of VVAW/WSO. Recently, we have seen one of our members, Bob Hood, framed on trumped-up charges, while member's homes have been arbitrarily searched and members have been repeatedly stopped and harassed on the streets.

There is certainly a need then to know some of the basic rules of the game in terms of security in our organization; what these agencies have done in the past, what they are trying to do now, what some of their conventional tactics are, and so forth. While it is naturally impossible to make a general statement that will apply to each and every situation, there are a number of general points that can be made as a basis for analyzing each and every situation as to its specifics.

1. The FBI is under a lot of pressure to solve the rat/SLA kidnapping. As a result, they have put a blanket surveillance step-up on a number of movement organizations and individuals that they think might possibly have leads on the kidnapping. (It's also a good excuse for them to step-up plain old general political repression). The FBI is clearly making a routine check of VVAW/WSO to this end for any tie-ins between VVAW/WSO and the SLA nonsense. This sort of intensification in the level of surveillance is typical of other periods in the organization's history when major political incidents were occurring (such as Wounded Knee, the 1972 Miami Conventions, etc.)

2. The FBI has repeatedly been trying to pump our members for all information about our politics and the directions the organization is headed in politically. They want to know what our objectives are, are they going to change, what are we going to do around amnesty, do we want to end the draft, etc. They have made a real point of asking about Marxist influence in the organization, and specifically about any Marxist leanings in specific individuals in the leadership of the organization. They realize that the organization is not just doing work around Indochina and want to know as much as possible about what we are and what we will be doing. Additionally, it's also clear to them that VVAW/WSO has got itself together a lot more over the past year than they'd care to see us. As a result, their interest in us has correspondingly increased.

3. There has also been a great deal of questions asked about the subject of dope: do we use it, is it very common in the organization, do certain people deal in narcotics, does the organization support itself by selling dope, etc. Given the miserable showing they made around grand juries/conspiracy charges and the like during Gainesville, they are very interested in trying to nail us with a different type of attack. If they can manufacture a dope bust it would be tailor-made for their purposes.

4. After failure to destroy the organization with the trial of the Gainesville 8, there was an initial period during which the FBI seemed to pull back and let things cool off. There was just too much egg on their face behind Watergate, Nixon's crimes, and FBI agents falling out of courtroom broom-closets. Now they have evidently resumed the attack, taking up where they left off. A generalized tactic in all this is a stepped-up campaign of intimidation: constant reminders that they are watching us and know "what we're up to." A good reason why a lot of this is occurring is a hope that they can scare off membership and prevent us from growing. It is not just coincidence that many of the more recent FBI contacts have been with new members, members on the fringe of the organization.

5. Part and parcel of this is an indication that they may be planning to wage a slander campaign against us, to discredit the organization and portray it as a bunch of doped-up, bomb-throwing crazies. It was not mere coincidence that Rep. Ichord of HISC recently labeled us as "one of the groups most likely to move into terrorist activities." In a period of rapidly increasing political repression (which we are most definitely in), libelous attacks of this nature are naturally going to increase and become more vicious.

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TELETYPE TO [REDACTED]  
RE: VVAW/WSO, NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE  
MEETING, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8-12, 1974  
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At the last NSCM held in Milwaukee, April 11 - 15, 1974, [REDACTED] sourcee attended, including [REDACTED]. While no other source has yet been approved to attend this meeting, it is believed we will obtain sufficient informant coverage elsewhere and, therefore, it will not be necessary to expend [REDACTED] as requested by [REDACTED] to send [REDACTED]. It is noted that region re requested by source is [REDACTED]. Source must [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092) (URGENT)

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FROM [REDACTED] (P) 1P

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), INTERNAL SECURITY.

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU, JULY 15, 1974.

BUREAU APPROVAL REQUESTED FOR [REDACTED] TO ATTEND VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974. SOURCE'S REGION IS [REDACTED]

VVAW.

SOURCE PRESENTLY [REDACTED]

AND MUST ADVISE [REDACTED]

WOULD TRAVEL [REDACTED] AND REQUIRE

\$165 TRAVEL EXPENSES; \$125.00 LIVING EXPENSES; AND [REDACTED]

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

ALBANY (100-22519)

NEW YORK (100-160644)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623) (P) 1P

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(VVAW/WSO), IS, (OO: CHICAGO).

RE ALBANY TEL, JULY 24, 1974, AND BUREAU AIRTEL, JULY 19,  
1974.

ON JULY 26, 1974, [REDACTED] ADVISED SIX INDIVIDUALS, BUFFALO  
CHAPTER VVAW/WSO, EXPECTED TO ATTEND VVAW/WSO REGIONAL CONFERENCE  
MEETING, ONEONTA, NY, JULY 27-28, 1974.

[REDACTED] CONTINGENT EXPECTED TO DEPART [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND TRAVEL BY CAR TO [REDACTED]

SOURCE ADVISED OF ALBANY CONTACT AGENT AND NUMBER AND WILL USE  
CODE NAME [REDACTED]

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(KVVAN/ASO), REGIONAL CONFERENCE MEETING, ONEONTA, NEW YORK,  
JULY 27-28, 1974, IS. OO: CHICAGO.

RE ALBANY TELETYPE DATED JULY 12, 1974 AND BUREAU  
AIRTEL DATED JULY 19, 1974. REF 10 610

ADVISED ON JULY 23, 1974, THAT CAPTIONED MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT A LODGE LOCATED IN COLLEGE CAMP, A 96 ACRE RURAL SECTION OF STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK SU AT ONEONTA, NEW YORK. SOURCE EXPECTS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-

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THIRTY TOTAL ATTENDEES AND MOST ARE BELIEVED TO BE TRAVELING BY CAR FROM THE BUFFALO AND NEW YORK CITY AREAS. CONFERENCE WILL BEGIN 11:00 A.M., JULY 27, 1974, AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH AFTERNOON OF JULY 28, 1974. OVERNIGHT PRIVILEGES TO REMAIN ON-CAMPUS AT THE LOOGE WERE OBTAINED FROM CAMPUS ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITIES. SOURCE WILL BE ATTENDING CONFERENCE [REDACTED] b7D

ON JULY 23, 1974, AN ESTABLISHED SOURCE ADVISED THE LOOGE ON COLLEGE CAMP IS NORMALLY USED ONLY DURING WINTER SPORTS ACTIVITIES. THIS LODGE IS ACCESSIBLE ONLY VIA ONE ROAD LEADING FROM THE MAIN SUNY CAMPUS. ESTABLISHED SOURCE STATED A CARETAKER PERMANENTLY RESIDES IN A COTTAGE ADJACENT TO THE LODGE. ESTABLISHED SOURCE HAS PROMISED FULL COOPERATION IN FURNISHING INFORMATION COMING TO HIS ATTENTION REGARDING THE CONFERENCE AND ITS ATTENDEES THROUGH OBTAINING LICENSE PLATE NUMBERS OF VEHICLES PRESENT. OTHER ESTABLISHED SOURCES AT SUNY, ONEONTA, NEW YORK, WILL PROVIDE COVERAGE. //

BUFFALO AND NEW YORK SHOULD COORDINATE INFORMANT COVERAGE WITH ALBANY. CONTACT CAN BE MADE WITH SA [REDACTED] AT b7C



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NONSYNBOL SOURCE ADMINISTRATIVE DATA, ESTABLISHED SOURCE IS

[REDACTED] SUNY, ONEONTA, NEW YORK.

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TO: DIRECTOR (100-448992)

CHICAGO (100-53772)

FROM: MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO); IS; OO: CHICAGO

REMINTEL, JULY 23, 1974.

IN REMTEL, INDICATION SET FORTH AN ANNOUNCEMENT WAS  
MADE AT A REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU)-SPONSORED BENEFIT.  
THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS INADVERTENTLY OMITTED FROM THE NITEL;  
THEREFORE, THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS BEING SET FORTH:

THE MILWAUKEE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER  
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) IS PLANNING A DEMONSTRATION  
AT THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
342 N. WATER ST., ON AUGUST 6, NEXT.

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FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-21603) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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The enclosed LHM and these cover pages are classified confidential in order to protect [redacted] whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to damage national security.

Sources used in this LHM are as follows:

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For the information of the Bureau, Buffalo by airtel to St. Louis dated 6/24/74 advised that debriefing of [redacted] was delayed until 6/19/74 due to security reasons. ZL

On 6/10/74 [redacted] advised that he tried to obtain admission to captioned conference but was advised that this conference was closed to the general membership of VVAW/WSO. u

On 7/12/74 Detective [redacted] (protect by request), St. Louis City Police Department, Intelligence Unit, advised that they had obtained no information regarding the activities or participants in captioned conference. On 6/6/74 [redacted] was advised the location of captioned conference to be held in St. Louis, Missouri.

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bring criminal charges against movement people and the VVAW/WSO, therefore, must be wary of members of the organization who have any kind of criminal involvement. The VVAW/WSO can be attacked politically through members who are "borderline people". One example in this regard would be the arrest of someone at the VVAW/WSO National Collective Office on a dope charge. This would necessitate political defense because the National Office is publicly known to be a clean area where no drugs are kept. If any arrest were made there it would have to be assumed that drugs were planted. In such a situation, the VVAW/WSO would organize to accept that arrest as a political attack on the organization. Arrest of members on purely criminal charges, if members were in fact involved in criminal activities, would not necessitate political defense of the member by the organization. Each region is to send those individuals to this National Defense Committee Meeting whom they feel can contribute to the formation of a National Defense Committee working paper. Areas which need to be dealt with in more depth and the people or regions assigned to prepare the draft papers on these areas are as follows:

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- 1) Internal Defense Committee organizer - all regions.
  - 2) GI defense work - [REDACTED]  
National GI Project.
  - 3) Political criteria for defense work - all regions.
  - 4) Prisons - Leavenworth Brothers - Offense/Defense Committee.
  - 5) Governmental strategy - all regions to report on local and [REDACTED] on the Federal level.
  - 6) Legal (relationships to lawyers) - Jeanne Friedman.
  - 7) Jury selection - [REDACTED] and Buffalo VVAW/WSO.
  - 8) Politics of Defense Committees - all regions.
  - 9) Propaganda - [REDACTED] and Milwaukee VVAW/WSO.
  - 10) Fund raising - Sam Schorr and the National Office.
  - 11) Security - [REDACTED] and the National Office.

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The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans". Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the U.S. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

The St. Louis VVAW/WSO was formed in June, 1969 and affiliated with the National VVAW during 1971. Purpose of the organization is to work for peace and the rights of minority groups through peaceful demonstrations; however, members have recently participated in guerrilla type training and reportedly have a cache of arms in case "it is needed in the streets".

On June 7-9, 1974 a meeting of the National Defense Committee workshop of the VVAW/WSO was held at St. Louis, Missouri. The following members of VVAW/WSO were in attendance:

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The purpose of the meeting was to ascertain the feasibility of setting up a National Defense Committee which would be truly operational throughout the United States. This committee would protect the membership of VVAW/WSO from harassment by the police for political reasons. It is planned that subsequent to any arrest of a VVAW/WSO member, a representative of the National Office will ascertain if the arrest is criminal or political in nature. If the arrest is for political reasons, the local Defense Committee will go into operation and the entire National VVAW/WSO organization might in the future get behind the member to secure his freedom. The possibility was raised that a truly functional National Defense Committee be created. The proposal that the National Defense Committee become operational might be brought up at the next meeting of the National Steering Committee Meeting of the VVAW/WSO, which will be held in Buffalo, New York, August 8-12, 1974.

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[REDACTED] kept talking about the members of the Gainesville 8 and Scott Camil of the Gainesville 8 in particular in a derogatory manner. [REDACTED] implied that the Government did not try the Gainesville 8 for purely political purposes, but that Camil and the others had in fact planned some kind of illegal activity. [REDACTED] contended, however, that if the Government had not stepped in and used an agent provocateur until they hustled the Gainesville 8, there never would have been a trial. [REDACTED] indicated that the National Collective of the VVAW/WSO would not have permitted Camil and the others to

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participate in any violent activity which would bring a bad name to the VVAW/WSO. The Gainesville 8 was an unfortunate situation because the trial of the Gainesville 8 did bring forth a bad image of the VVAW/WSO which [REDACTED] felt the organization did not deserve.

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The "Gainesville 8" are a group of 8 individuals headed by Scott Camil of Florida who are members or friends of the VVAW/WSO. On July 13, 1972 they were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury and subsequently tried in U.S. District Court, Gainesville, Florida, for conspiracy to violate Federal Anti-Riot laws at the Republican National Convention in Miami, Florida in August, 1972. In September, 1973 the "Gainesville 8" were acquitted.

The following letter with attached agenda was passed out during this conference:

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June 10, 1974

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Sorry that this letter is coming in a "form" type, but that's the way it must be due to the chaos and amount of work that we all must get done. As suggested at the National Defense Committee Workshop in St. Louis, this letter is to let all of the participating members know the names and chapter affiliations of those in attendance. This is so that we can stay in touch with one another, and so that we can ear-mark the papers we are to be sending out to NDC workshop participants during the next month. Those attending the meeting were:

Tim Butz -- VVAW/WSO, 521B Second St. NE, Washington DC 20002  
Mary Jo Cook/Tom Buchanan -- VVAW/WSO, PO Box 902, Ellicott Sta.  
Buffalo, New York 14205  
Jack Fox -- VVAW/WSO, 2532 N. Holton, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212  
Charlie Grey -- VVAW/WSO Chicago Chapter, 827 West Newport, Chicago,  
Illinois 60657  
Toby Hollander -- VVAW/WSO, 1023 Allen Ave., St. Louis, MO 63104  
Mike Mazzetti, Perry Sanders, Lynn Unruh -- VVAW/WSO, PO Box 5812,  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
Brian Adams, Marla Watson -- VVAW/WSO, 827 W. Newport, Chicago,  
Illinois 60657

Along with these names and addresses, another person is responsible for seeing that a paper is written, but did not attend the NDC Workshop. Jeanne Friedman should be included with the above group of folks and be kept informed on the development of the working paper. Her address is:

Jeanne Friedman -- VVAW/WSO, 255 E. William St., San Jose, CA 95112.

As a reminder, and just so that we all have everything straight, enclosed is a copy of the agenda items, and the individuals/chapters responsible for the various reports which need to be compiled. If people have additions or corrections, please let us know as soon as possible.

It was a very productive weekend, and good to see everyone again. We hope that the productivity and energy which we just witnessed will continue and that we can formulate a working paper which we can learn from and be proud of.

*Alfreda Watson*

June, 1974

NDC WORKSHOP

- I. Why -- Toby Hollander
- II. Politics of Defense Committee-Work
  - A. Political Criteria -- National Office
    1. Type of Trial (organizational & coalitional)
    2. Level of Organizational Response (local, regional or national)
  - B. Internal Structure/Organization -- National Office
  - C. Relationship to Lawyers -- Jeanne Friedman
  - D. External Relations -- National Office
- III. Special Defense Efforts (Politics & Approach)
  - A. G.I.s -- National GI Project
  - B. Prisons -- National Office to amend paper
- IV. Mechanics
  - A. Voir Dire/Jury Selection -- Completed
  - B. Fund-raising -- Completed
  - C. Agitprop -- Mike Mazzetti and LEODC
  - D. Internal Political Education -- LEODC
- V. Security -- National Office to amend paper with list of "don't's"
- VI. Future -- No paper to be written at this time
- VII. Synopsis of Trials
  - A. Don Kemp -- Milwaukee
  - B. Karl Armstrong -- Milwaukee
  - C. Gainesville -- completed
  - D. G.I. Trials -- National GI Project
  - E. Billy Dean Smith -- National Office
  - F. Lawton/Gardner -- California
  - G. Bob Hood -- California
  - H. Leavenworth -- Kansas City
  - I. Attica -- Buffalo
- VIII. References & Resources -- All (to be compiled by National Office)

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During the conference a considerable amount of paper work was handed out. This paper work reflected the various items of discussion which were held at the conference. The conference generally consisted of the study of the information contained in the handouts and discussion as to whether the information contained should be approved, disapproved or modified. Everything that was contained in the paper work was approved and much of it is set forth as follows:

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1) Place one or two people in charge of all preparations and book work that will be necessary. These people must be prepared to do all facets of direct mail work which will be laid out below. They must be good writers as well as bureaucrats able to handle the paperwork generated by direct mail work. These people have to be responsible to the collective body of the dc and seen as key workers on the defense. Fundraising is POLITICAL. The fr (fundraiser) should immediately study appeals from other defense groups and even study appeals in general.

2) Depending on whether the defense work is local or national, it must be determined if a professional fundraiser is needed (like National Office) or if the fr people on the committee can handle the work. The reason for using professional frs' is that to obtain lists of names to mail to requires knowledge of where the lists are, what kind they are, when to use them, what kind of people are on the list, if they can be exchanged or must they be rented, etc. Direct mail has its best effect on cases that are national in scope that tie directly into the organization's work (like Gainesville). If not, an analysis should be made of what lists could be used for local defenses; ACLU has its list broken down by state, as an example.

3) The dc must then write an appeal that reflects the nature of the defense. It is important that the appeal convey as much urgency and feeling of importance as committee workers feel themselves. If you aren't convinced to give money from your own appeal, no one else will. The appeal should not be over one side of a page, that is, concise and to the point. Remember, you are asking for money, not good vibes. Also, people who will receive the appeal will have received appeals from many other groups during the year. Your appeal must convince them of the political importance of the defense, and you must approach donors with the attitude that they are PART of the defense and that their lives will be effected by the outcome of the trial.

Each appeal packet must contain a self-addressed, return envelope, coded to show which list that donor comes from. It is best to get a "Business Reply Permit" and print that on the return envelope. That way, you pay when a return comes in. The return should have boxes to check off amounts of money (like \$100, \$50, \$10, \$5) and a box to check if a receipt is requested.

4) This is where it really gets complicated. Now you must approach a Mail House, that is, a firm that stuffs, codes and mails your packet. If you are doing national work that is. It doesn't pay for local dc work. Also, you must arrange with a Computer firm to put names on tape and labels which will be given to the mail house for them to put on the envelope. This computer place will also be responsible for adding the names of the returns after an appeal to your "House List". If you get all this done properly, then sit around and wait for the returns.

5) When returns come in, one person should be responsible for opening and tabulating them. Each day's returns must be recorded as to amounts per code (list) and totals. There are several ways to make up a form to use for this. At this point, you are hopefully rolling in dough and can pay the bills for sending out the appeal. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

6) Each donor MUST be thanked, regardless of amount contributed. This can be done by sending a "thank you" card printed that can be sent like a post card for 3¢. NO uses a card with a poem from WHAM, but for defense work, use a prisoners poem. Large contributors should be sent a personal thanks (not fun, but a must) and given any new info on the case. Remember, you want to raise money from these people again (especially in long trials). They must feel like this is their case also. Always honor requests for info that come back with returns.

7) In some cases, you may want to approach a "big name" to write a cover letter for your appeal. This can help if people know little about a case or if the defendants would like it. National does not use this approach as it was decided that we can speak in our own behalf with as great an effect as any "big name". It seems to work for us. Do not continue to use the same appeal when new info about the defense can be used.

#### PERSONAL SOLICITATIONS:

This manner of fundraising is rough. Use this approach only for large contributors, that is, people you know have lots of money. The typical approach is the phone. Call, state your name and who you are working with and immediately that you are asking for money for the defense of such and such. If you live near the person, ask to meet them, a guaranteed way of getting some money from them. If you don't live near them, then the first part will probably be the whole conversation as they will either give at that point or ask you to write to them or say no. There is little "convincing" to do as these people usually know what's up and don't like to talk on the phone. Also, they usually have their minds made up the minute you state what you are asking, so there is no need to fumble around. Good luck.

Remember to always be honest and fair with donors. You'll soon notice that the people who send in \$3 to \$10 are the greatest people, the kind you'd want around in a pinch. Being flippant and not knowing the political experience of your donors can shut off future donations. Treat them as members of the organization and you'll never lose.

PRISON DEFENSE COMMITTEES

When speaking of Prison Defense Committees, we are discussing those committees which are formed to defend brothers and sisters charged with "crimes" during the serving of a prison sentence, i. e. crimes committed while in prison. This paper will attempt to deal with some of the problems that will be run into while defending prisoners, the general perspective that must be kept in the forefront, and the politics of prisoner defense.

I. Politics of Prison Defense

As with defending anyone, a prisoner defense must keep politics in command at all times -- particularly, the politics of prison. To insure that this is consistently done, it will be vital for the DC members to have a very good understanding of what prisons are, what they are a tool of, and why they are maintained. Internal PE around these questions should be conducted before the defense work moves forward, so that a clear understanding of exactly what is being "defended" will develop and the political line of the DC will not waver. Along with this, it will be necessary to have some degree of political unity between the prisoners and DC members before the DC even gets off the ground. If the DC does not agree with the politics of the prisoners, then defense efforts will often be futile, and effective work will certainly be hindered. This does not have to be down-the-line agreement on political questions, but a degree of unity on the primary political focus of the defense is imperative. Upon the initial political agreement, a method of synthesis of the various politics of those involved in the defense can then be more easily conducted. People should also be aware that if more than one defendant is involved, there may be differences between the politics of the defendants themselves. This will have to be struggled with, by listening to everyone, and a good synthesis of ideas (or the formulation of points of unity, short and long range goals, etc.) will be extremely important if political unity between all those involved in the defense effort is to be maintained.

The importance of political unity of defendants and defense workers becomes clear when considering the fact that the only defense a prisoner has is a political defense. It is unlikely that many prison cases will be won in the courts because a verdict will usually be reached by weighing the word of the prisoner against the word of a government representative. In the eyes of most people, prisoners do not hold a great deal of credibility (i. e. since the defendant is in prison, he/she must have done something wrong to be put there; thus, there is a history of doing "wrong things.") The importance of good jury selection should be obvious, and a good deal of the defense effort will have to center on this. Because the odds against winning a prison case in court are overwhelmingly in favor of the government, the importance of keeping the politics of the case in the forefront should be obvious. It will be necessary not only to "defend," but to "attack" at the same time. The object of the attack will most likely be the prison system (and this goes back to the importance of having a good understanding of what that system is all about). This attack will be important in the courtroom as the defense tries to express the idea that the specific "crime" is not on trial, but that it is the reason for that



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"crime" that is in question. But most importantly, the reason for keeping the defense political is that this will aid in winning the case in the eyes of the people. If a verdict of "not guilty" can be won from people not involved in the trial, then good political work has taken place. A massive community outreach and propaganda campaign is perhaps the most important objective of the Prisoner Defense Committee. Without community support and strong public opinion in favor of the defendants, a victory in the courtroom is practically unfeasible and would be far less effective. Thus, the politics of the DC and defendants should be integrated into all defense efforts in a sincere manner to be able to educate and build support from community members for the defendants.

## II. Problems of Isolation

The first thing to be aware of is that when defending prisoners, the DC will be forced to operate under very unique circumstances. An incredible amount of hassles will result, and many crisis situations which would not normally arise will have to be faced. This is in part due to the extraordinary amount of repression of the daily life of the defendants. Examples could be the fact that the DC might be cut-off from the people they are trying to defend because of mail interception, denial of visiting rights, the transfer of prisoners to other institutions, etc. The largest problem to result will center around the fact that the defendants are in prison and will probably be in segregation (since they have been charged with a violation while doing their "time"). Because of all this, the major point which must be kept in perspective at all times is the fact that the defendants will not always be able to give consistent input into how they want their DC run. We must remember that it is the prisoners defense committee and the building of a movement around their defense cannot be done in isolation from the wishes of the defendants.

Due to the physical isolation of the defendants, excellent relations between the defendants and the DC are imperative. Precisely because the prisoners can not always offer their input into the decisions which must be made, it is crucial that there be a strong element of trust between the defendants and DC members. This trust will be built on practice -- not idle promises. With the creation of this trust, there should be fewer problems between defendants and DC members since it will sometimes be necessary for the DC to more or less act in the interests of the defendants and the importance of representing the defendants as they wish to be represented cannot be stressed strongly enough. Without this trust, divisions between the DC and defendants can quickly erupt, and the defense effort will be stifled.

In light of the above, it will be very important to try to involve the families of the prisoners in the defense effort. This has been an effective part of the Attica Brothers defense and families are often hard workers with a good understanding of the work that needs to be done if a victory is to be won. Along these same lines, good relations with lawyers will be extremely valuable since the lawyers may be the only people with regular access to the defendants. Because of this, these good relations should be consciously built by DC members, and an element of trust will have to emerge between legal workers and committee workers. (It should also be noted here that unless there are good relations between the

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prisoners and their attorneys, the defense will get now lost. This requires a certain degree of responsiveness to the wishes of the defendants on the part of the lawyers, as well as the same sort of trust and respect that should exist between defendants and the DC).

There will be many problems to overcome in the formation and operation of a Prisoners Defense Committee. As mentioned before, committee members may not be allowed to visit the defendants, mail may be cut off (so alternative methods of communication will need to be developed), and there is always the possibility that the DC can be tied into a conspiracy rap if further trouble erupts inside the prison. At times when these problems do arise, the trust between defendants and the DC will become crucial. If we manage to maintain this trust and a clear perspective of acting on the defendant's wishes whenever possible, if we continue to keep politics in command, and if we have done our homework on the prison system, these problems can be overcome to a large extent.

### III. Selection of Cases to Defend

It should be obvious that we cannot take up every case that will arise in prisons -- cases which may all be deserving of defense work. As our prison work grows and develops, our prison membership may become increasingly involved in being charged with prison violations and require defense. (This will go hand-in-hand with the continual harassment of VVAW/WSO members everywhere). People involved in prison work must be aware of this consequence, and be prepared to offer some sort of defense assistance to our prison membership should the need arise (though we will not always be able to handle this on the large scale of a defense committee or major defense effort). Also, brothers and sisters in prisons will often ask for our help in getting them out of prisons, i. e. ask for lawyers to appeal what are blatant frame-up charges which led to conviction and the imprisonment of the individual. In instances such as this, the defense effort which might exist will most likely be done on a smaller scale and our work will not be out-right defense work, but trying to retain the legal help that is needed. This will be the decision of the local chapter or region and they will be the people to decide the scope of work that can be done.

In the future, we should assume that VVAW/WSO Prison Defense Committees will be formed around prisons and defendants where we have been doing prison organizing (why rush to an unknown prison to defend unknown people). During the past year, we have built up a good deal of respect within the prison movement, and this has both good and bad aspects as far as defense work is concerned. It is bad in that prisoners may expect us to do much more than we are capable of doing in a certain area. To avoid this we must be certain to be honest with the prisoners in explaining just what we can handle at a given time. On the other hand, the respect we have been given will lead the prisoners to trust our political judgment. In light of this, it is crucial that if a defense project is undertaken, we do our best to live up to the respect that prisoners have afforded us as an organization.

When deciding what cases to begin defense work around, we may have to select those cases which will benefit the majority of people in the long run. We will have to limit our defense efforts simply because we do not have the time.

energy to focus solely on prisoners and their defense. Because of this, we should try to concentrate on those cases which are themselves political (as with the Leavenworth Brothers) and which offer the possibilities for mass education around the prison system. A defense effort should have as a primary focus the idea of exposing the real reason behind a defendant being charged, and this will also apply to prison defense committees. Since we will have to be selective, this general guideline is something we can work from when deciding which cases are important to the point of requiring a major defense effort on the part of VVAW/WSO.

When selecting a prison case to defend, perhaps the major point which must at all times be kept in mind is that under no circumstances should we overestimate what we can do. This is especially important when working with prisoners because of the number of times they have been "sold out" by "do-gooders." We can not begin making promises which we cannot fulfill and if this trend develops our prison work will wither away because of a lack of trust for our organization. Because of this, it is crucial that we at all times be sincere and honest with the prisoners -- letting them know exactly what we can and cannot do, and not vacillating if they request something which is beyond our capabilities. It is also important to check out the situation surrounding a case thoroughly before deciding to get involved in defense work. We have already gotten ourselves involved in defense efforts (on small scales) before having a clear understanding of what we were getting into. We should learn from these mistakes and take precautions in the future by checking out a situation thoroughly before involving our organization. Again, the idea that we cannot overestimate our energies and time in a prisoner's defense effort is of vital importance, and doing so could lead us to having to remove ourselves from doing prison work.

#### IV. Perspective of Work

As mentioned earlier, it will be necessary for defense workers to have a clear understanding of how and why our prison system operates if a defense is to be properly conducted. Along with this, practical knowledge of prisons is also important. A working knowledge of the rules and regulations of a particular prison is a must when dealing with prisons. We should know our enemy and expect "it" to act accordingly. We can assume that these rules and regulations will be broken time after time, but they must be known anyway to carry out both the defensive and offensive work that is required. Practical experience in working with prisoners will also be extremely helpful to the DC because many problems can be avoided or overcome if an individual knows how to best relate to prisoners -- specifically, those who are being defended. Experience in prison organizing will be necessary for at least a portion of the committee members.

When working on a prisoner's defense, we must at all times keep in mind what the prisoner wants and weigh that against what is feasible. The wishes of the defendants cannot and should not be ignored if their wishes are attainable and practical, so the perspective of realizing that we are working to the prisoner's interests must be kept in the forefront (this idea is coupled with the perspective that we are also working against the interests of the prison system as a whole).

We should give guidance when that is necessary (and it sometimes be necessary because of the isolation of prison life and a somewhat unrealistic view of the outside world), but major actions and decisions should never be made without the approval of the defendants.

Because this paper is dealing with VVAW/WSO defense committees, it will be in our best interests to begin a DC with a hard core of VVAW/WSO members before branching out to involve others. This will give somewhat of a basis of political unity to the committee and allow for the development of the committee's political "line" before non-members are involved in the daily workings of the defense effort. It will be important for a degree of flexibility to exist when considering the various ideas of defense workers who are not VVAW/WSO members because a prison defense should rely on a wide variety of people for help in the defense effort (i.e. experts to provide testimony, ministers who are interested and may be able to get in and out of prison freely, family members, etc). However, the basis of the political unity of the committee should be agreed upon before these other defense workers become actively involved in the DC. 7

#### V. Conclusion

In short, when doing defense work around prisons, we should always be expecting the worst to happen. The situation will often be unpredictable, the prison administration will make our job as difficult as possible, and continual crisis situations will arise. If politics are kept in command and if we respect the ideas and wishes of those we are defending, the confusion which could result may more easily be kept under control. As stated earlier, our purpose in defending prisoners is two-fold: 1. we are to do our best to defend the defendants and help them to beat whatever charges are brought against them, and 2. we are to concentrate on doing mass educational work around the nature of the prison system. If our sole goal is to see that brothers and sisters are freed, we are pretty much wasting our time. As with all defense work, politics is the key and our victories will be partially determined by the amount of effective political education that is conducted around the trial.

Obviously this is all that could be said but it does put things into a general sort of perspective. We will continue to have to put up with harassment and intimidation of this sort and must adjust to it as best we can. The more we are deflected from the day-to-day conduct of our political work, the more successful the FBI is in its activities -- a fact we can never lose sight of in conducting our work.

If there are any general rules-of-thumb that we should try and follow, it should be keeping the work we are doing primary, remembering we are an open, mass organization and that our activities should be out-front and legal -- any links with illegal activities such as dope, etc. are simply out of the question. If and when we are approached by the FBI or other police agencies, we should remember that our best interests are the last thing they have in mind. We should be polite; politely telling them we will not talk to them. If we are arrested, we cannot allow ourselves to be jammed into saying anything unless it's in the presence of our lawyers. We may have said this hundreds of times but people all too often seem to forget it. For our own protection, we've got to remember it.

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The following are a few examples of things to watch for in terms of what the FBI has in the past tried to elicit in the way of information from us and the general tactics they have used to do this. If chapters or regions have any additional suggestions to add they should send them to the National Office and we'll try and get them out in the newsletter.

#### TACTICS, INTERROGATION TECHNIQUES, ETC. (Not necessarily in order)

1. Provocateurs trying to sell members guns, bombs, tear gas or similar contraband material. ("Do you know any demo experts?" seems to be very common.)
2. Attempts to get members to buy or sell narcotics, including marijuana.
3. Trying to intimidate people with the physical presence of a real live agent -- experience has shown that many people seem to come totally unglued and forget everything they know about good common sense.
4. Approaching parents of members, trying to convince them that they can "help their son or daughter out" by giving them information.
5. Approaching weak or naive members of the organization -- often fringe or new members.
6. Manipulating people who are vulnerable due to recent busts, (usually drugs), parole violations, etc. to act as informants.
7. Trying to exploit personal grudges or internal organizational struggles to get people to give them information.
8. Contacting employers, trying to get people fired, or asking them for information on members.
9. Increased surveillance, contacts, etc. should be expected around major political events such as Wounded Knee, SLA, etc.
10. Phoney calls to catch people off their guard and get them to either say something stupid or to divulge some form of information.

11. Surveillance of personal and organizational mail through "mail covers."
12. Getting people to talk with them by letting them think they are under arrest etc. The line here seems to go, "Get in the car" or "Come down to our office, we'd like to talk to you." People often assume that they are being ordered, not asked to do so.
13. Dropping information to people and trying to elicit their interest and get them to pursue the conversation -- bait such as this is never dropped accidentally; people trying to "outsmart" them are always going to end up losing.
14. Using a very familiar, friendly approach: "Say, John, you're not like the rest," or "we know that you're alright," or "you're a good dude". People have repeatedly fallen for this thinking that this particular agent is really a good guy and he is the one that is different from all other agents.
15. Trying to throw people off their guard by saying something like, "we know you're not involved in such and such," or that "you're not violent, etc." but what we'd like to know about is... "and it has nothing to do with you."
16. Trying to engage members in political arguments to see where they are politically "coming from."

#### AREAS OF INTEREST FOR THE FBI (Again, not in any specific order)

1. VVAW/WSO's politics: what are the objectives, what are we doing around amnesty, do we want to end the draft, etc.
2. Information on the personal life and personal political beliefs of individual members, particularly members in leadership positions. ("Do they have a record, are they on parole, what did they do in 'nam", etc.)
3. Anything to do with dope.
4. Anything to do with guns, bombs, or "violence oriented" attitudes or statements made by members.
5. Information on credit card telephone fraud -- this is something that should be avoided totally.
6. Personal and internal organizational feuds.
7. Our National Steering Committee Meetings
8. Leading questions like "why are we so paranoid" and "why don't you trust us."
9. Sources of organizational or personal funds.
10. Our regional and national actions: "what are we planning?"
11. "Will the organization continue to exist now that the war's over?"

Hopefully, people will read this information in the context in which it was written -- it is not meant to scare people or designed to provoke a wave of paranoia and ensnare the organization in a wave of "ultra-security consciousness." The last thing we want to do is get overly caught up in security and lose sight of what we are really all about. However, these are unfortunately the facts of life in a movement organization, information we should all share, and conditions that we must adapt to as an organization.

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VVAW/WSO  
NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE MEETING  
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JUNE 7-9, 1974

Other publications passed out at this conference are set forth as follows. Several of the organizations allegedly publishing these publications are not further described.

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- 1) A one page handout entitled "Proposed Statement of Principles, Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee." Submitted by Committee on Political Awareness and dated April 20, 1974.
- 2) A sixteen page handout which is a xeroxed copy of two articles in the May, 1973 edition of "Psychology Today" magazine, entitled "Recipe for a Jury" and "Jury Selection: An Expert's View." by Jay Schulman, Phillip Shaver, Robert Colman, Barbara Emrich and Richard Christie.
- 3) One page handout entitled "Security Report Form." Published by the National Office of VVAW/WSO, Chicago, Illinois.
- 4) A four page handout entitled "A Statement by Professor Thomas I. Emerson in regard to the House Committee on Internal Security" Hearings before the Select Committee on Committees House of Representatives 93rd Congress, 1st session on the subject of committee organizing in the House.
- 5) A four page handout entitled "Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate, Counter-Spy Campaign, P.O. Box 647 Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044". Report to the VVAW/WSO National Defense Committee Meeting June 7, 8, 9, 1974 at St. Louis, Missouri.
- 6) A two page handout entitled "S. 1400-H.R. 6046 Threat to Liberties", a preliminary report on Nixon's proposed criminal code.
- 7) A four page handout captioned "The Nation, March 2, 1974", and entitled Richard Ouley Sneaking up on

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the Press - Nixon's 'nfficial Sacrata Act".

- S) A small booklet antitlad "Dnn't Raad Thia Out Lnud' An Introductinn tn tha Fifth Estata." by organizing fnr a Fifth Estata, Box 647 Ben Franklin Statinn, Washington, D.C., 20044.
- 9) A one paga handout requesting postcards be sent tn the Uniatd Statas District Judga in Wichita, Kansas cncncrning tha Leavanwnrth Brnthara.
- 10) A ona page handnut antitlad "Unwantad: Mary Milas, "a saalf-cnnfesaed pulica infnrmer with a daa-criptinn and hackground."
- 11) A cnpy nf "Cnunter-Spy", tha quartarly jnurnal nf tha Organizing Committae for a Fifth Estata. Vnlume 1, iaauaa 4 and 5.
- 12) A five page handnut entitled "Jury Selectinn" quoting portions nf tha U.S. Coda and stating in part that Juries are under attack by tha narrow, elita grnup whn saek to rule this cnuntry only because this vehicla of the people's power cannnt be reliad upon tn maka political prisonars of ns all.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 7/25/74

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (100-19044) (RUC)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
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Re Buairtel to Albany, 7/15/74.

New Orleans letter to Bureau, 6/19/74, advised how Louisiana territory has been appended to Alabama/Mississippi/Tennessee VVAW region by the national VVAW organization, since Louisiana VVAW is defunct, having been discredited.

No local activities have advocated a resurgence of VVAW or any veterans-oriented organization or activity since early 1973, but sources are alert to any such move or trend.

New Orleans maintains this case in RUC status.

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FRDM: Director, FBI

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 RUEADWW/ ☐ The Vice President  
                   ☐ Att.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 RUEADWW/ ☐ White House Situation Room  
                   ☐ Att.: \_\_\_\_\_

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 RUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIA  
 RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency  
                   ☐ and National Indications Center

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 RUEBGFA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFDSI)  
 RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service  
 RUEADSS/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)  
 RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ( ☐ By messenger)  
 RUEBWJA/ ☐ Deputy Attorney General ( ☐ By messenger)  
 RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division  
                   ☐ and Internal Security Section  
                   ☐ and General Crimes Section

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration & Naturalization Service  
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~~8:40 PM NITEL JULY 29, 1974 SDJ~~

~~TO: DIRECTOR 100-448092~~

~~CHICAGO 100-50772~~

~~FROM: OMAHA 100-9293~~

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~~CHANGED: DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON, WEST BRANCH,  
IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, 2:00 P.M. IS-RSB; VVAV/WSO.~~

SOURCES, WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE AND VVAV/WSO ARE PLANNING ON DEMONSTRATING AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON'S TRIP TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA, ON AUGUST 10, 1974, TO ATTEND HOOVER MEMORIAL ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD IN WEST BRANCH, IOWA ON THAT DATE. RSB/VVAV PLANNED TO DEMONSTRATE DURING NIXON'S SPEECH WHICH HAS TENTATIVELY BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 2:00 P.M. ON AUGUST 10, 1974.

SOURCES ADVISED THAT DEMONSTRATION IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND NOTHING CONCRETE HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE.

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OF NIXON'S SPEECH.~~

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RE CHICAGO TEL JULY 29, 1974. CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON AT IOWA CITY, IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR, JOINTLY WITH REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE.

SOURCES UTILIZED ARE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

CONTACT WITH U.S. SECRET SERVICE SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] U.S. SECRET SERVICE, DES MOINES, IOWA REVEALED NIXON HAS OPEN SCHEDULE ON AUGUST 10, 1974, BUT FINAL DECISION AS TO HIS ATTENDANCE OF ROYER MEMORIAL ACTIVITIES WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK BEFORE.

OMAHA AT IOWA CITY, IOWA, WEST BRANCH, IOWA, WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW PLANNED DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD WEST BRANCH, IOWA, AND KEEP BUREAU CURRENTLY ADVISED.

CHICAGO SOURCE CAN CONTACT SAS [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

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                   ☐ Att.: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency  
                   ☐ and National Indications Center  
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 RUEBGFA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)  
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SUBJECT:

**VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST  
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7:30PM NITEL JULY 16, 1974 JMM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-479603)

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FROM TAMPA (100-3810)

ATTENTION: INTD

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AMERICAN VETERANS MOVEMENT (AVM). INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ON MAY 6, 1974, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, WHO HAS  
FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT  
DURING A DEMONSTRATION IN WASHINGTON, D. C., ON MAY 4,  
1974, SPONSORED BY THE PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP), ONE  
OF THE PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE WAS LOU RICHARDSON, 376  
WILLOWDALE, WILLOWDALE ONTARIO, CANADA, M2N5A7. RICHARDSON  
STATED WAS A MEMBER OF THE PLP IN CANADA AND ALSO A  
MEMBER OF THE WAR RESISTERS LEAGUE. HE ALSO SAID HE WANTED  
TO START A VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR (VVAV) CHAPTER  
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IN ONTARIO. HE SAID HE WAS ORIGINALLY FROM THE WASHINGTON D. C., AREA AND THAT HIS SISTER, [REDACTED], STILL LIVES IN WASHINGTON AND HAS TELEPHONE [REDACTED] HE ADVISED THAT IN THE PAST, HE HAS HELPED MILITARY DESERTERS AND DRAFT EVADERS ESCAPE INTO CANADA.

ON JULY 15, 1974, SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED], VVAV COORDINATOR IN TAMPA, FLORIDA, HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY THE SECOND AMERICAN BONUS MARCH COALITION (SABMC) 59 TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D. C., ON JULY 16, 1974, TO MEET WITH LOU RICHARDSON, WHO HAS BECOME A CANADIAN CITIZEN, AND THREE EXILES FROM CHILE, WHO WERE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS UNDER THE REGIME OF FORMER CHILEAN PRESIDENT, SALVADORE ALLENDE. RICHARDSON HAS REQUESTED A CONFERENCE BETWEEN REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS IN THE SABMC AND THE CHILEAN EXILES BECAUSE THE EXILES ARE SEEKING MONETARY AND ARMAMENT HELP FROM REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS IN THE U. S. IN ORDER TO PREPARE FOR A REVOLUTION IN CHILE. LEADERS IN THE COALITION SUCH AS ANGEL ALMEDINA, EARL HILL, CHICANO LEADER CARL (LAST

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NAME UNKNOWN), AND SCOTT CAMIL, HAD STATED THEY WILL  
NOT MEET AT PRESENT WITH RICHARDSON SINCE THEY DO NOT  
KNOW HIM. SINCE RICHARDSON IS KNOWN [REDACTED] HAS BEEN  
INSTRUCTED TO MEET WITH RICHARDSON AND THE EXILES  
TO DETERMINE WHAT THEY WANT, SET UP A MEETING  
BETWEEN THEM AND ABOVE-MENTIONED LEADERS IF NECESSARY  
SOMETIME IN AUGUST, POSSIBLY IN FLORIDA.

ON JULY 16, 1974, SOURCE ADVISED THAT RICHARDSON  
HAS STATED ONE OF THE PERSONS TO BE MET IN WASHINGTON,  
D. C., IS THE PRESENT HEAD OF THE COMMUNIST UNION IN  
CHILE, BUT THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME WAS NOT GIVEN. RICHARDSON  
STATED HE AND THE CHILEAN REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE  
ARRIVING BY PLANE IN WASHINGTON, D. C., ON THE NIGHT OF  
JULY 16, 1974, AND HAVE MEETINGS SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAY,  
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY MORNINGS WITH UNNAMED GROUPS IN  
WASHINGTON. [REDACTED] INSTRUCTED TO CONTACT  
RICHARDSON IN CANADA ON EVENING OF JULY 16, 1974, TO  
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ASCERTAIN WHERE RICHARDSON AND THE CHILEAN REPRESENTATIVES  
WILL BE STAYING WHILE IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP) WAS FOUNDED IN 1965  
BY THE FORMER MEMBERS OF THE CPUSA, WHO ASSERTEDLY FOLLOWED  
A CHINESE COMMUNIST LINE, IS A REVOLUTIONARY MARXIST-  
LENINIST ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO A DICTATORSHIP  
OF THE WORKING CLASS.

THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR WAS FORMED IN  
1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST  
AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE  
THAT TIME, VVAW LEADERS WHO HAVE TOLD MEMBERS OF THE VVAW  
IS A REVOLUTIONARY GROUP, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR  
VETERANS." ALSO, THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD THE  
VVAW HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL  
WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MAOIST GROUPS.  
ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS INDICATED THAT "ANTI-IMPERIALIST GROUPS"  
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CONSIDER THE VVAW A POTENT ORGANIZATION OF SIMILAR STATURE IN THE U. S. IN APRIL, 1973, THE GROUP CHANGED THEIR NAME TO VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENNIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENNIST DOCTRINE.

THE SECOND AMERICAN BONUS MARCH COALITION WAS FORMED IN JUNE, 1974, AS A COALITION OF THE AMERICAN VETERANS MOVEMENT, THE AMERICAN G.I FORUM AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PUERTO RICAN CIVIL RIGHTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATION FOR BETTER RIGHTS.

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~~TAMPA WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH SOURCE AND ADVISE OF FURTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION.~~

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Via AIRTEL

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644) (P)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST  
THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER  
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
IS  
(OO:CG)

Re NY nitels to the Bureau, 6/3/74, 6/5/74 and 6/11/74, and Bureau teletype to CG and NY, 6/5/74.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above concerning VVAW/WSO participation in Conference of Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada (AVPC), Montreal, Canada, 6/7-9/74, four copies of which are for transmittal to Legat, Ottawa. Two copies of the LHM are designated for listed offices inasmuch as it contains information of interest to those offices.

- 2-Bureau (Encs. 9) (RM)
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- 2-Buffalo (100-21623) (VVAW/WSO) (Encs. 2) (RM)
- 2-Chicago (100-50772) (VVAW/WSO) (Encs. 2) (RM)
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The LHM is classified "CONFIDENTIAL" as the unauthorized disclosure of the data contained therein could jeopardize the identity of source, which could reasonably be expected to cause damage to the national security.

Recipient offices are requested to review the LHM and to index names of individuals and organizations of interest to those offices and to take other action deemed necessary.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Bureau 100-448092  
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Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization

On June 3, 1974, a source advised as follows:

The Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) had been invited to send representatives to a Conference called by the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada (AVPC), to be held in Montreal, Canada, June 7-9, 1974. Other "movement" organizations, at that time unidentified, had also been invited to attend. A small group from the New York City (NYC) Chapter, VVAW/WSO, would attend.

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ON 7/28/95

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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Vietnam Veterans Against the War/  
Winter Soldier Organization

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the United States. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

AVPC was self-described in 1971 as an organization that supports the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam against the United States and South Vietnamese government. AVPC consisted of sixty active members and some supporters, mostly in Montreal, Canada, all being students or ex-students from South Vietnam.

The mailing address of the AVPC is CP 220, Station G, Montreal, Canada, and its telephone number is (514) 279-6658.

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The purpose of the conference was to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam (PRG). Representatives of the PRG and the North Vietnamese Government, at that time unidentified, were scheduled to be present to discuss alleged violations by the United States and the government of South Vietnam of the peace agreements signed in January, 1973, ending the war in Vietnam.

The Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate (OCFE) of Washington, D.C., planned to send an observer to the conference to present to PRG and North Vietnamese representatives two pamphlets issued by OCFE, one explaining the activities of the OCFE and a second explaining a project of the OCFE known as "The Counter Spy Campaign."

The OCFE, formerly known as the Committee for Action/Research on the Intelligence Community (CARIC), is a Washington, D.C. based organization which was formed in the early part of 1973. This organization has publicly stated that it wants to "create a central intelligence documentation center, which would centralize information on the United States operations." This organization periodically publishes a bulletin entitled "Counter Spy," which has been described as a source of analysis and information on the practices, organization, and objectives of United States intelligence. In addition, a bi-weekly newsletter entitled "Intelligence Report" is designed to keep the public abreast of the objectives of the OCFE.

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On June 5, 1974, first source advised that at a general membership meeting of the NYC Chapter, VVAW/WSO, held in NYC on June 3, 1974, it was learned that the New York-Northern New Jersey Region, VVAW/WSO had been allotted five delegates to the AVPC Conference, and that two of them would be from the NYC Chapter.

On June 10, 1974 and June 24, 1974, first source advised as follows:

The AVPC held a conference celebrating the fifth anniversary of the PRG at the Pavillion Lafontaine, University of Quebec, 1301 Sherbrooke East, Montreal, Canada, on the evening of June 7, 1974, and during June 8 and 9, 1974. The maximum number in attendance appeared to be about 200, except on the evening of June 7, when a larger number was in attendance. AVPC reported that over 400 attended. About 100 Americans attended.

b7c About [redacted] members of the VVAW/WSO attended, including [redacted] and [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, VVAW/WSO; [redacted] Regional Coordinator, New York-Northern New Jersey Region, Buffalo, New York; [redacted] NYC Chapter; [redacted] Oneonta, New York Chapter; and [redacted] and [redacted] from the VVAW/WSO in Burlington, Vermont.

Others in attendance were Jane Fonda, well known motion picture actress associated with the Indochina Peace Campaign (IPC); [redacted] and [redacted] from the Indochina Solidarity Committee (ISC), NYC; [redacted] from the Revolutionary Union (RU), NYC; [redacted] from the Vietnam Peace Parade Committee (VPPC); [redacted] an entertainer from NYC; [redacted], a journalist

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from Washington, D.C.; and [REDACTED] a former prisoner  
of war from Chicago. **b7C**

Other organizations represented were the Attica  
Brigade (AB) and the OCFE, which had an observer present.  
The National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC) had a table  
in the lobby of the Pavillion Lafontaine, University of  
Quebec, on the evening of June 7, 1974. The NCLC was asked  
by the AVPC to leave the conference upon being advised by  
the Americans of the counter-revolutionary and terrorist  
tactics of the NCLC in the United States. The NCLC table was  
not afterwards observed.

The IPC is an ad hoc group of war  
resisters that was organized as an educational  
and action program designed to keep the  
Vietnam War primary in the public  
consciousness until United States  
withdrawal.

The ISC, formerly known as the United  
States Committee to Aid the National  
Liberation Front of South Vietnam, was  
formed in April, 1965, as an ad hoc  
organization to actively support and seek  
recognition of the National Liberation  
Front, while simultaneously advocating  
the immediate withdrawal of American  
troops from South Vietnam. This  
organization continues to be operated  
by one Walter Teague, its Chairman.  
The headquarters of this organization  
is located at the Washington Square  
Methodist Church, 133 West Fourth Street,

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NYC, and its mailing address is Box C, Old Chelsea Station, New York, New York. Its activities reportedly have greatly decreased since the ending of the Vietnam War.

The RU was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semi-clandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publication, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse-tung thought leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.

The VPPC was publicly known as the "arm" of People's Coalition for Peace and Justice (PCPJ) in NYC. The VPPC organized demonstrations in protest to the war in Vietnam in NYC and furnished transportation for anti-Vietnam War demonstrations outside of NYC. The VPPC is now defunct.

PCPJ was a broad coalition of local and national organizations, including the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), committed to conducting demonstrations aimed at ending the war in Indochina and poverty, racism and injustice at home. The national office was located at 156 Fifth Avenue, NYC. PCPJ was dissolved at the end of April, 1974.

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The AB is a student based organization founded in NYC in the fall of 1971. The AB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "United States imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world." The RU has significantly infiltrated the AB and plays a major role in the AB policies, decisions and activities. AB is also known as Revolutionary Student Brigade.

The NCLC is self-described as an "organization of revolutionary socialists" whose major aim is to build a "unified working class movement" which can secure working class control of the economy under a socialist democracy. During 1973, the NCLC has had physical confrontations with members of the CPUSA and other factions on the left.

Source furnished copies of the "Program of the Conference" and outlines on the seminars on "The Present Situation in Indochina," "The Third Force in South Viet Nam," and "The Struggle for Independence of the Vietnamese People," which were obtained at the conference. Reproductions of these documents follow.

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## FRIDAY

\*From 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.: Meeting at Pavillion Latontaine, Univ. du Quebec,  
1301 Sherbrooke East.

## SATURDAY

1. From 9:00 - 11:30 Seminar on THE PRESENT SITUATION IN INDOCHINA led by members of the AVPC and a Laotian friend. Rm #.....
2. From 11:30- 1:30 p.m. Lunch. There are slide shows and other cultural activities during the break.
3. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Seminar on THE US STRATEGY ON VIETNAM led by a member of the AVPC and Garry Porter. Rm #.....
4. 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. Break
5. 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. There are two seminar in this period  
-Rm #..... Seminar on THE POLITICAL PRISONERS AND THE QUESTION OF THE THIRD FORCE led by members of AVPC, Don Luca, and Henry Peacock.  
-Rm #..... Seminar on THE NATIONAL STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE; THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTION; AND THE NATIONAL UNITED FRONT led by members of the AVPC.
6. 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.: Dinner. There are slide shows during this period.

All of these events will take place at Pavillion Latontaine,  
Univ. du Quebec, 1301 Sherbrooke East.  
All times given are approximate and subject to change.

7. 8:00 - 11:00 p.m.: Cultural evening with American, Canadian, Quebecois, Chilean, Mexican, Laotian, and Vietnamese group of "artists and singers and dancers".  
The Cultural evening will be at Le Plateau,  
3710 Cote de LaSalle St. it's very near to Pavillion  
Latontaine of Univ. du Quebec.

## SUNDAY

\*From 9:00 a.m. at Pavillion Latontaine, Univ. du Quebec. Discuss about the  
Resolution and future projects.  
There will be films about Vietnam.

### Addresses to be remembered:

1. AVPC, 5504 St Urbain St., Tel: 277-6659
2. Places to sleep : -St Louis Express, 138 St Joseph E., Tel: 663-1616  
-Centre International de Séjour, 6811 St. William,  
Tel: 277-6243
3. Pavillion Latontaine, near Park Latontaine, 1301 Sherbrooke East.
4. Le Plateau, near Pavillion Latontaine, 3710 Cote de LaSalle.

V. THE PRESENT SITUATION IN THE SAIGON-CONTROLLED AREAS.

1. The Paris Agt. signed on Jan 27, 1973, the Vietnam program and the 1973-74 budget for the US and the Saigon Government.
2. Violations of the Paris Agt. by the US and the Saigon Government.
  - a. Military violations.
  - b. Violations of democratic rights.
3. The positions of the two sides at the Consultative Conference in La Hail St. Cloud Feb 6 point Program of the US and the Commun - proposal of the Saigon Government.

IX. THE PRESENT SITUATION IN THE SAIGON-CONTROLLED AREAS.

1. The Political Situation

- The trend favorable to national reconciliation and concord among the people.
- The people's struggle for the implementation of the Paris Agreement and for democratic rights. The development of the third force.

2. The Military Situation

- The US Saigon military cooperation the signing of the Paris Agreement.
- The Saigon army operations and the US military against the liberated zones and the controlled areas.
- The "Special Program" in 1973. Its progress in the Saigon-controlled areas.
- The response of the Program to the situation and the US toward the Vietnamese in the Saigon area.

3. The Economic Situation

- Some characteristics of the Saigon economy: dependence, unbalanced development on foreign aids.
- The economic situation after the signing of the Paris Agreement: inflation, high taxes, shortage of food, etc.
- Effects on the people's life: unemployment, unemployment, education is neglected, shortage of education.

X. THE PRESENT SITUATION IN THE SAIGON-CONTROLLED AREAS

- The socio-economic situation in the Saigon-controlled areas is becoming stronger and stronger.
- The US and the Saigon government will certainly be defeated.

XI. THE PRESENT SITUATION IN THE SAIGON-CONTROLLED AREAS

- Effects of the US and the Saigon government, the lack of reconstruction and

the task of healing the wounds of the war.

II. THE CURRENT SITUATION IN 1973 AND PROSPECTS

-The Peace Agreement in Laos and the implementation of the provisions of the  
peace in Laos.

-The present situation in Kampuchea.

I. TO FIGHT FOR THE CAUSE OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH VIETNAM  
 - Support for the suppression of the third force.  
 - The growth of the third force in the countryside.

II. THE THIRD FORCE IN THE POLITICAL SYSTEM IN SOUTH VIETNAM  
 - Role of the third force in the political system in South Vietnam.  
 - Status of the third force in the national reconciliation and concord.  
 - The Saigon government with the third force.  
 - The US Government with the third force.  
 - The PRG of the DRVN with the third force.

III. THE THIRD FORCE: A FACTOR IN THE POLITICAL SYSTEM IN SOUTH VIETNAM  
 - Composition and definition of the third force.  
 - The scope of the struggle:  
     a. Political and military struggle with the third force  
     b. Economic struggle with the third force

IV. CONCLUSION  
 - The role of the third force as a very necessary condition for the implementation of the peace agreement.  
 - The third force as a factor in the political system in South Vietnam.



VII. THE FRENCH REVOLUTION AND THE FRENCH CONSTITUTION

1.1 The French Revolution of 1789 :

\*Economic : dependence of France on a market for their products and a supply source for their industry.

\*Political : divide the country into three estates.

\*Cultural : enlightenment.

1.2 The French Revolution of 1789 :

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793.

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793 : between the French people and the French colonialists and between the French and the French.

1.3 The French Revolution of 1789 :

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793.

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THE FRENCH REVOLUTION : A STUDY OF THE FRENCH CONSTITUTIONS 1789-1856

2.1 The French Revolution of 1789 :

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793.

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THE SECOND FRENCH REVOLUTION : A STUDY OF THE FRENCH CONSTITUTIONS 1789-1856

3.1 The French Revolution of 1789 :

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793.

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3.3 The French Revolution of 1789 :

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THE FRENCH REVOLUTION : A STUDY OF THE FRENCH CONSTITUTIONS 1789-1856

\*The French Revolution of 1789 and the French Revolution of 1793.

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The initial meeting was held on the evening of June 7, 1974. The meeting took the form of a panel discussion on Vietnam. The panel consisted of members of the AVPC and Jane Fonda. A large number of Quebec residents were present, many to view Fonda, as it had been advertised she would appear. The discussion was conducted almost entirely in French. Fonda displayed excellent fluency in the French language even to the point of translating for others to English.

It was announced that the representatives of the PRG and North Vietnam would not be present, as they had been denied travel visas by the Canadian Government.

On June 8, 1974, a seminar was held on the present situation in Indochina which was conducted by members of the AVPC and one "Laotian friend." It started at about 9:00 am. and ended at 12:00 noon. This discussion was concerned with the Paris Peace Accords, on how they are being implemented and violated; the current situation in the Saigon-controlled areas, political, military and economic; life in the "liberated" areas; and the future prospects of the PRG. The better part of the seminar dealt with the general situation in Laos and Kampuchea, particularly with the new coalition government that had been formed on April 5, 1974. The main conclusion reached was that eventually the government of President Thieu of South Vietnam would be overcome regardless of the aid it receives from the United States.

On June 8, 1974, the VVAW/WSO contingent caucused to insure that all seminars were covered by the VVAW/WSO and that the VVAW/WSO literature table in the building was manned at all times.

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The observer from the OCFE turned over to Laotian members of the AVPC issues of the OCFE publication, "Counter Spy."

Early in the afternoon of June 8, a seminar on United States Strategy in Vietnam was held in the auditorium of the Pavillion Lafontaine. Due to the facts that the seminar was held largely in the French language and the acoustics were extremely bad, many Americans left the seminar.

On June 8, between 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., two seminars were held simultaneously, in classrooms, one on Political Prisoners in South Vietnam and the second on The Vietnamese Revolution. The main conclusion reached at the Political Prisoners seminar was that most "political" prisoners held in South Vietnam are members of the third force in that country, that is, neutralists who are neither supporters of the Viet Cong nor of President Thieu.

On the evening of June 8, a traditional Vietnamese dinner of chicken and rice followed by cultural events was held at Le Plateau, 3710 Calixa Lavalee Street, Montreal. Tickets to the dinner cost \$1.50. The cultural events consisted of entertainment, mostly singers and dancers of various ethnic backgrounds, including American, Canadian, Quebecois, Chilean, Haitian, Laotian, Vietnamese and Mexican. Messages were read from many groups, including the following from the national office of the VVAW/WSO, 827 West Newport, Chicago, Illinois:

"Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Montreal Conference on Vietnam:

"We of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization express our solidarity with the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada on the occasion of the Montreal Conference on Vietnam, celebrating the Fifth

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"anniversary of the founding of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Vietnam. We recognize that only through the unified efforts of organizations such as the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada and VVAW/WSO will we be able to help force the government of the United States to honor the Paris Agreement on Vietnam and terminate all aid to the Thieu and Lon Nol dictatorships....

"We pledge to you our continuing support and solidarity in our common struggle. We look forward to continuing close relationships with the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada, and to final victory against the forces of U.S. imperialism, and to the inevitable victory for the liberation, the freedom, and the independence of the Vietnamese people, the other people of Southeast Asia, and all the peoples of the world.

"IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENTS

"FREE SOUTH VIETNAMESE POLITICAL PRISONERS

"END ALL AID TO THIEU AND LON NOL

"FINAL VICTORY TO THE PRG AS IT ENTERS ITS SIXTH YEAR

"UNITY-STRUGGLE-VICTORY

"In continuing Solidarity in the Struggle,

"The National Office of VVAW/WSO"

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Following the cultural events, most of the Americans went to a restaurant called La Bodega with a few Vietnamese and had a loud, boisterous party which lasted until 2:30 a.m. on June 9.

On June 9, the conference met in the auditorium of the Pavillion Lafontaine at about 10:00 a.m. Discussions were held on a draft resolution that was presented to those in attendance. Following the discussion, the resolution was passed. The text of the resolution follows.

"Resolution Draft

"On the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the founding of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam (June 6th, 1969), the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada held a conference on June 7, 8, 9 in Montreal.

"Participating in the activities of the Conference, there are more than 400 people representing different Canadian, Quebecoise and American organizations.

"Following the interventions and discussions of delegates on the present situation in Vietnam, 16 months after the signing of the Paris Agreements, all participants to this Conference unanimously reach the following conclusions:

"IN VIEW THAT

"1. The aggravation of the present situation in South Vietnam is due to the obstination of the Saigon administration for not having respected the Paris Agreement;

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"2. The sabotage of the two-party Consultative Conference at La Calle St.-Cloud, the non-respect of the immunity of the PRG Military Delegation at the two-party Joint Military Commission (JMC) in Saigon, the slanderous campaign aiming at discrediting the PRG-based on the so-called "terrorist attacks" of the PRG against the civilian population - are parts of a premeditated plan of the Saigon administration in view to create along with other war acts, a tense atmosphere in South Vietnam in order to put the pressure on the US Congress more necessary military funds for the pursuing of the war;

"3. The main and direct cause of all manoeuvres of the Saigon administration is the continuation of the US policy in Vietnam. As long as the Nixon administration continues to aid the Thieu regime militarily and economically, the Saigon regime will continue to violate the Paris Agreement.

"WE DEMAND THAT:

"1. The US government must respect strictly the Paris Agreement by stopping immediately and completely all military involvement and intervention in the internal affairs of South Vietnam.

"2. The Saigon administration must stop all war acts, to put an end to the sabotage of the works of the two-party Joint Military Commission and to return without delay to the negotiations at the two-party Consultative Conference in order to reach as soon as possible the solution for the internal problems of South Vietnam based on the Paris Agreement and the 6 points proposal of the PRG on March 22, 1974.

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"We recognize the goodwill of the RDV and the PRG for a strict implementation of the Paris Agreement and the June 13, 1973 Joint Communique.

"AT THE PRESENT TIME

"1. The American delegations at the Conference devote to the task: mobilization of the American public opinion in view to put the pressure on the Nixon Administration so the latter must cease all funds to the Thieu regime which go against the Paris Agreement;

"2. The Canadian and Quebecoise delegations to the Conference devote to the task: mobilization of the Canadian and Quebecoise opinion in order to demand the Canadian Government the diplomatic recognition of the PRG in conformity to the Paris Agreement which Canada is a signatory of the International Act.

"3. All delegations to the Conference devote to the common task: to mobilize the North American public opinion in order to put the pressure on the Saigon administration for the release without delay of 200,000 patriots and peace loving people which are detained in Thieu's jails.

"In view that the close relationship between peace in Vietnam and those in Laos and Cambodia, we greet warmly the formation of the Provisional National Government of Coalition and the Political Council....on April 5, 1974 as an important step toward peace and national concord in Laos; - we support wholly the just cause of the struggle for national liberation of the Khmer people under the leadership of the Royal National Union Government and the National United Front of Kampuchea.

"Montreal, June 9, 1974"

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with most people departing between 3:00 and 4:00 p.m.

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IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, 2:00 P.M. IS-RSB; VVAV/WSO.

SOURCES, WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIBLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE AND VVAV/WSO ARE PLANNING ON DEMONSTRATING AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON'S TRIP TO WEST BRANCH, IOWA, ON AUGUST 10, 1974, TO ATTEND HOOVER MEMORIAL ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD IN WEST BRANCH, IOWA ON THAT DATE. RSB/VVAV PLANNED TO DEMONSTRATE DURING NIXON'S SPEECH WHICH HAS TENTATIVELY BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 2:00 P.M. ON AUGUST 10, 1974.

SOURCES ADVISED THAT DEMONSTRATION IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND NOTHING CONCRETE HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO DATE.

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AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON AT IOWA CITY, IOWA AUGUST 10, 1974,  
SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR, JOINTLY WITH  
REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE.

SOURCES UTILIZED ARE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

CONTACT WITH U.S. SECRET SERVICE SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] U.S. SECRET SERVICE, DES MOINES, IOWA REVEALED  
NIXON HAS OPEN SCHEDULE ON AUGUST 10, 1974, BUT FINAL  
DECISION AS TO HIS ATTENDANCE OF HOOVER MEMORIAL ACTIVITIES  
WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK BEFORE.

OMAHA AT IOWA CITY, IOWA, WEST BRANCH, IOWA, WILL  
CONTINUE TO FOLLOW PLANNED DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES TO  
BE HELD WEST BRANCH, IOWA, AND KEEP BUREAU CURRENTLY ADVISED.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM concerning the captioned organization. Two copies each of LHM are also enclosed for Chicago and WFO for information.

The LHM is being classified "Confidential" in order to protect the identity of the informant.

The source utilized in the LHM [redacted] who furnished detailed information to SA [redacted] on 7/11/74.

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Cincinnati, Ohio

July 19, 1974

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

The VVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the United States. In April, 1974, the group changed their name to VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

Concerning the National Demonstration in Washington, D. C., July 1-4, 1974, sponsored by the VVAW/WSO, a confidential source furnished the following information on July 11, 1974:

On July 1, 1974, approximately five individuals arrived in the Washington, D. C. area from the Dayton, Ohio VVAW/WSO along with several from both Cincinnati VVAW/WSO and the Columbus, Ohio VVAW/WSO, to participate in the National Demonstration being held there by the VVAW.

Most of those coming to join the demonstration met in the vicinity of the Washington Monument and/or the mall near the Capitol. Most of Monday, July 1, 1974, was spent meeting people and getting located at the mall.

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On Monday evening they received the word that the police were not going to let them camp at the mall since they had no permit so they spent the night with some singing and talking while others slept. They took turns singing and playing music so the police could not accuse them of camping on the grounds.

About 5:30 AM, July 2, 1974, they were surrounded by police and asked to leave the area but when they refused, the police merely departed from the mall area.

Some of the demonstrators went to the Veterans Administration (VA) and demonstrated during the morning of July 2, 1974. They had a 50 yard long paper with veterans' gripes written on it. Sam Shorr of the VVAW/WSO spoke to the group of about 250. Some unknown official from the VA met with some leaders of the demonstration and it was then discontinued.

In the afternoon of July 2, 1974, they demonstrated at the Military Appeals Court, demanding a single discharge and the end of coded numbers utilized in the discharging process, as well as the end of racism in the military service.

On Tuesday evening, there were several Regional Meetings held to plan what to do in the rest of the demonstration. The Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania region met with the Regional Coordinator Jerry Kosanovic. It was agreed to be more militant in the thrust of the demonstration than they had been so far. Most of the participants were critical of the leadership for their lack of militancy.

One of the individuals who accompanied the Dayton, Ohio contingent was Tom Welch from Dayton, who has been identified with the Revolutionary Union (RU). He was influential in agitating and prodding the demonstrators to stay at the mall despite police requests for them to move.

REVOLUTIONARY UNION  
also known as  
RED UNION  
BAY AREA REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (RU) was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semiclandestine

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organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working-class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.

About 3:30 AM on Wednesday, July 3, 1974, the group at the mall was awakened by sirens and bullhorns notifying them that they were going to be arrested. The demonstrators, caught unaware, ran from the area. Some ended up at a Presbyterian Church about six blocks away. They discussed the incident and most exhibited an unhappy attitude about it and about the leadership of the demonstration who did nothing in response to the incident.

About 400 persons "took to the streets" from the area of the above church about the rush hour time on Wednesday morning, causing some traffic problems. After marching around in the streets for awhile, they decided to go to the Capitol Building. A police car attempted to break up the group near the steps of the Capitol Building. Some of the demonstrators started to rock the police car and the police officer, apparently reacting, hit several people with his car while trying to drive away.

There was a brief rally then on the steps of the Capitol. Jerry Kosanovic from Columbus, Ohio, spoke for a few minutes. After this action, everyone felt somewhat appeased and they went back to the mall for breakfast.

Later during Wednesday, the demonstrators, which numbered about 500 by this time, held demonstrations at the Justice Building regarding universal unconditional amnesty. They also briefly demonstrated at the United States Courthouse where the trial of John Ehrlichman was being held.

Later in the afternoon on Wednesday, July 3, 1974, the demonstrators were making their way to the Capitol Building area for additional demonstrations when their way was blocked by police. The demonstrators tried to get around them and something happened which started the police swinging their nightsticks at the demonstrators

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and attempting to disperse the crowd. Some of the demonstrators resisted and some mace was also used. After a few minutes the police withdrew and the demonstrators held a brief rally at the Capitol.

After the rally, there were Regional Meetings held again and the leaders called the confrontation with the police a victory for the demonstrators. It was again decided that to avoid further problems with the police, most of the people staying at the mall Wednesday night must stay awake and those who wanted to sleep could do so in their cars.

On Thursday, July 4, 1974, additional people came to Washington, D. C. including a number reportedly affiliated with the Revolutionary Union and the Revolutionary Student Brigade. ||

REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE  
Also Known As  
ATTICA BRIGADE

The Attica Brigade (AB) is a student based organization founded in New York City in the Fall of 1971. The AB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "United States imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world". The Revolutionary Union (RU) has significantly infiltrated the AB and plays a major role in AB policies, decisions, and activities.

The Attica Brigade changed its name to Revolutionary Student Brigade at the First National Convention of the AB, June 16-17, 1974, at Iowa City, Iowa.

At about 10:00 AM the demonstrators were estimated to be about 1700. They marched down Constitution Avenue to the Jefferson Monument and back to the eclipse where there were several speakers. Jerry Kosanovic acted as the moderator.

Most of them left the Washington, D. C. area in the afternoon or evening of July 4, 1974.

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The whole demonstration seemed to lack organization and leadership. Jerry Kosanovic appeared to be one of the main leaders.

There were tents set up for administrative and medical matters. The Regional Coordinators, after meeting with the National Collective, relayed the information to the membership.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

SAC, BUFFALO (100-21623)

SAC, NEWARK

SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

SAC, RICHMOND

FROM: SAC, ALBANY (100-22519) (P)

ATT: INTD

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), REGIONAL CONFERENCE MEETING, ONEONTA, NEW YORK,  
JULY 27-28, 1974, IS. OO: CHICAGO.

ON JULY 29, 1974, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED  
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THE NEW YORK -  
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY VVAW/WSO REGIONAL CONFERENCE, STATE  
UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (SUNY), ONEONTA, NEW YORK, JULY 27-28,  
1974, HAD TAKEN PLACE AS PLANNED. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED

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THAT APPROXIMATELY 44 PEOPLE WERE PRESENT AND WERE REPRESENTING L2 VVAW/WSO CHAPTERS FROM THIS REGION.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE NEXT NEW YORK - NORTHERN NEW JERSEY VVAW/WSO REGIONAL CONFERENCE WOULD BE HELD NOVEMBER 2-3, 1974, AT OLD WESTBURY, LONG ISLAND. THE BACKUP SITE FOR THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE ONEONTA, NEW YORK. PLANNED DEMONSTRATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1974, WILL TAKE PLACE AT ATTICA, NEW YORK, WHEREIN "ATTICA WEEK" WILL BE OBSERVED SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1974, AND AT NYC ON OCTOBER 27, 1974, "PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY". OTHER ACTIVITIES DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE INCLUDED A DEMONSTRATION IN NYC'S TIMES SQUARE FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 1974, AND FOR THE SPONSORING OF PETER SEEGER TO APPEAR IN CARMEL, NY, ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1974.

VVAW/WSO WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF VIETNAM WAR VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD VVAW/WSO HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MARXIST GROUPS. IN APRIL, 1973, THE GROUP CHANGED ITS NAME TO VVAW/WSO SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL

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RE ALBANY TELETYPES JULY 12 AND 24, 1974.

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OUT OF STATE LICENSE PLATES ON VEHICLES PRESENT AT THIS MEETING ARE 364GBX, NEW JERSEY, AND 998ATW, VIRGINIA. ALBANY IS DETERMINING OWNERS OF VEHICLES PRESENT BEARING NY PLATES.

NEWARK AND RICHMOND DETERMINE REGISTERED OWNERS OF THE ABOVE LICENSES.

BUFFALO, NEWARK AND NEW YORK SHOULD PROVIDE ALBANY WITH ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED RE THE ABOVE CONFERENCE SO THAT OVERALL LHM CAN BE PREPARED. //

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

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ON JULY 22, 1974, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE  
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AND MARXIST GROUPS. IN APRIL, 1973, GROUP CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/MSO SO THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/MSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENINIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

RU, FOUNDED IN 1968, IS MILITANT, SEMI-COVERT ORGANIZATION ADHERING TO MARXIST - LENINIST MAOIST LINE.

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RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALBANY, BUFFALO AND NEW YORK JULY 19, 1974.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] **b2 b7D**

SURVEY OF APPROPRIATE INFORMANTS OF NEW YORK OFFICE INDICATES [REDACTED] WERE ABLE TO ATTEND CONFERENCE DUE TO PERSONAL REASONS.

NEW YORK WILL DETERMINE RESULTS OF CONFERENCE THROUGH [REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-478661)

DATE: 7/29/74

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-11256) (C)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
INTERNAL SECURITY

(OO: CHICAGO)

Re Bureau airtel to Albany, dated 7/15/74.

For the information of the Bureau, a review of Charlotte files reflects that activity on the part of the VVAW exists only in Raleigh, North Carolina, which is carried as a VVAW Chapter. As the Bureau has been previously advised, [REDACTED]

Pursuant to Bureau instructions in referenced airtel, VVAW chapter and individual members do not meet the qualifications for conducting investigation; therefore, this case is being closed.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-58125) (P)

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE  
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
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AT WASHINGTON, D.C. JULY 1-4, 1974  
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The enclosed ~~document~~ is classified confidential because unauthorized disclosure would jeopardize the sources utilized herein. Protection of the sources is required in the interest of national security. u

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for receiving offices are two copies of same LHM. u

Two copies of an FD 376 attached. u

One copy being furnished to MISO, WDC, per their request 7/4/74, and one copy to the USA, WDC. u

The following sources were utilized in the enclosed LHM:

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The representative of the National Capital Parks is [REDACTED] u

The first representative of the U.S. Capitol Police is Lt. [REDACTED]. The second is Sgt. [REDACTED] u

The first representative of the FBI is Officer [REDACTED] and the second is Officer [REDACTED] u

The representative of the VA is [REDACTED] u

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The first representative of the U.S. Park Police is Sgt [REDACTED] and the second is Captain [REDACTED]

The representative of the U.S. Secret Service is SI [REDACTED] u

b7c The representatives of the FBI who observed the SABMC on 7/1/74 are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The SAs who observed the VVAM/USO on 7/2/74 are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The SAs who observed VVAM/USO on 7/3/74 are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The SAs who observed the VVAM/USO and SABMC on 7/4/74 are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

WFO will obtain the identity of those persons arrested on 7/3/74 and advise the appropriate offices. u



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

JUL 19, 1974

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE:

ORGANIZATION SPONSORED BY THE  
VETERANS AFFAIRS CIVIL RIGHTS/ HUMAN RIGHTS  
ORGANIZATION (VVAHRO) IN WASHINGTON,  
D.C. JULY 1-4, 1974

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual or organization believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective responsibilities, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
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Very truly yours,

*Clarence M. Kelley*  
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Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE  
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), AT WASHINGTON, D.C. July 1-4, 1974

The paragraphs of this communication which are followed by (C) are classified "~~confidential~~", and paragraphs unmarked are unclassified. U

On March 5, 1974, a representative of the National Capital Parks, 1100 Ohio Drive, S.W., Washington, D.C. (NCP), made available a permit application filed March 4, 1974, on behalf of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO). On April 26, 1974, the same representative of the National Capital Parks made available a copy of an amendment to the application filed March 4, 1974. Both reflect the following schedule of events for the VVAW/WSO on July 4, 1974: U

July 1, 1974 - Registration at the camp site, internal meetings by regions during the day, and a small cc that evening. U

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PROTESTING BY THE  
WVA/USO JULY 1-4, 1974

July 2, 1974 - At 9:00 a.m. the group planned to march from the camp site to the Veterans Administration Building, Vermont and I Streets, N.W., stopping on Vermont Avenue for a short rally of three to five speakers addressing themselves for increased veterans assistance and a single type discharge for all veterans. At 10:15 a.m., the group planned to march from the Veterans Administration to Lafayette Park for a rally to "kick NIXON out" with three to five speakers. The group planned to disperse from Lafayette Park. At 2:00 p.m. the group planned to march from the camp site to the Court of Military appeals for a rally to demand universal unconditional amnesty. Following the rally, the group planned to return to the camp site at 3:45 p.m. L

July 3, 1974 - At 10:00 a.m. the group planned to march from the camp site to the Department of Justice, Pennsylvania Avenue and 10th Street, N.W. for a rally with several speakers. At 3:00 p.m. the group would march to the west steps of the U.S. Capitol for a rally with several speakers followed by a return march at 5:30 p.m. L

July 4, 1974 - The group would assemble at the Lincoln Memorial for a march to the Washington Monument grounds. The march planned to begin at 11:30 a.m. and the rally would begin at 12 noon with several speakers followed by dismissal at the rally site. Then the group planned to begin tearing down the camp site and cleaning up the area. L

On June 6, 1974, a source advised that the demonstration being sponsored by the WVA/USO was considered a "National Action" by the group. However, other organizations had pledged national support for the demonstration and planned to send representatives to the demonstration. The groups included the Revolutionary Union and the Revolutionary Student Brigade. X

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The same source advised that the themes of the demonstration were to be as follows: u

1. Universal and unconditional amnesty for all draft dodgers and deserters;
2. End all support to THIEU and LOU NOLL regimes in South-East Asia;
3. Decent benefits for all veterans;
4. Full employment and education for all veterans;
5. "Kick NIXON Out".

The same source advised on June 6, 1974, that the national office of the VVAW/USO in reality hoped to have about 800 VVAW/USO participants and at least 200 participants from other organizations. (u)

On June 9, 1974, a second source advised that militant actions would take place during the VVAW/USO demonstrations at WDC during the period July 1-4, 1974. These militant actions were to take place at the Veterans Administration, the Justice Department, White House, the Pentagon, Capitol Hill, and the Court of Military Appeals. However, no additional details were known by the source of the actions. At least one VVAW/USO chapter was making plans to take medical supplies to WDC for the demonstration. (u)

The second source also advised on June 9, 1974, that participants would be required to remain with their VVAW/USO regional group. Each region would be responsible for its members, including providing for their own internal affairs, keeping their members in line, and dealing with security problems. (u)

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On June 24, 1974, the same representative of the National Capital Parks made available a copy of a permit application for a public gathering filed June 20, 1974, by the Second American Bonus March Coalition, 1010 Vermont Avenue N.W., WDC. The application reflected that the coalition is made up of the following groups and sponsors: American Veterans Movement (AVM), the American G.I. Forum (AGIF), and the National Association of Puerto Rican Civil Rights (NAPCOR), BOB KOVIC, TOM CALDERONE, and ANGEL ALMEDINA. The application reflects that the coalition planned to gather at Malcolm X Park at 9:00 a.m. on July 3, 1974 and utilize the park area until 9:30 p.m. on July 4, 1974. The group also planned to march down 16th Street to Lafayette Park on July 4, 1974. However, the time of the march was not shown on the application. The application was filed by JAMES L. LEE, Security Director for the AVM. M

On April 29, 1974, a third source advised that the AVM expected that 100,000 veterans would be in attendance at the demonstration at WDC being sponsored by AVM. (X)(u)

On May 12, 1974, the third source was advised that the AVM planned a sit-down of 100 AVM members and supporters on the steps of the U.S. Capitol on the first day of the AVM demonstration. The AVM hoped to have the group arrested in order to have congressional representatives agree to talk to the AVM about veterans benefit bills in Congress. AVM also planned to have 200 persons arrested on the second day of the demonstration and to add 100 more persons to the arrests totals each day of the demonstration. However, there was no additional information regarding the plans of the AVM to have AVM members arrested on the Capitol steps. (X)(u)

On June 3, 1974, the third source was advised that AVM expected to have supporters and members arrive at WDC on July 4, 1974, and at that time they would have closed-door meetings to plan their strategy. Secondly, AVM members were to

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AVM/VBO JULY 1-4, 1974

meet at Lafayette Park for a demonstration and afterwards move to the mall area and set up camping tents in the vicinity of the old "Resurrection City". The AVM group would then remain on the mall area after July 4, 1974 until they obtained their demands for better veterans' rights. (X) (v)

On June 20, 1974, a fourth source advised that AVM would hold a demonstration on July 4, 1974. The group would assemble in Malcolm X Park and conduct a march to Lafayette Park and have 100 veterans in wheelchairs as leaders of the march. At Lafayette Park AVM would set up tents and shacks where they would remain until their demands were met. AVM expected 1,000 participants for the July 4, 1974, demonstration. (v) (X)

On June 26, 1974, the same representative of the National Capital Parks, National Park Service, 1100 Ohio Drive, S.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), made available a copy of a permit application for a public gathering filed June 24, 1974, by LEO J. ROSSITER on behalf of the Youth International Party (YIP). The application reflected that members of YIP planned to gather on the mall area in front of the National Gallery of Art on July 4, 1974, during the hours of 9:00 a.m., until 8:30 p.m., to legalize marijuana, impeach President NIXON, and to demand new and free elections. The application reflected that YIP expected between three to five thousand participants, and planned to utilize bullhorns, a stage and have a bust of Vice-President FORD, an Edsel, and a jail on wheels. APOX WAX, 6 Bleeker Street, New York, New York, was to be in charge of the marshals. LEO J. ROSSITER was listed as the person in charge of the demonstration and his address was listed as 2518 Q Street, S.W., WDC, telephone number 582-9596. u

On July 1, 1974, a representative of the United States Capitol Police, Washington, D.C. advised that on July 1, 1974 a group of about 25 to 30 members of the Second American

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Bonus March Coalition gathered in front of the Supreme Court and part of the group delivered a petition of veterans' grievances to the clerk of the Supreme Court. The remainder of the group handed out leaflets and listened to a few speeches by the participants. The group dispersed without incident or arrest about 12 noon. u

Shortly before 1:00 p.m., representatives of the FBI observed a group of about 15-20 members of the Second American Bonus March Coalition gathered in front of 1010 Vermont Avenue, N.W., D.C., where they handed out leaflets calling for a march on July 4, 1974. At this time, a group of about 35-40 members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Inter Soldier Organization gathered at the Veterans Administration (VA), Vermont and I Streets, N.W., D.C. where they held a rally. At about 1:30 p.m., a group of about 10 WWV/USO members entered the VA building while the remainder of the group continued the rally on the sidewalk outside of the building. The size of the group outside constantly grew to a size of about 75-100 participants at 3:15 p.m. u

A representative of the VA advised that 10 members of the WWV/USO pushed their way into the building and requested a meeting with the VA Administrator. However, the Veterans Administration agreed to meet with four of the members and consequently a meeting was arranged with the Deputy Administrator RICHARD L. SOMMERBUSH. At approximately 4:00 p.m., the group of WWV/USO members departed the area of VA following the meeting with the Deputy Administrator. u

On July 1, 1974, a representative of the United States Secret Service, D.C., advised that approximately 1:30 p.m. a group of about 19 members of the Second American Bonus March Coalition entered Lafayette Park where they walked around and then walked to the sidewalk in front of the White House. They remained in front of the White House for about

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one hour where they handed out leaflets. At about 2:45 p.m. the group departed the area of Lafayette and the White House. u

On July 1, 1974, a sixth source advised that members of the Second American Bonus March Coalition had planned to send about 40-50 members to Arlington Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. on July 2, 1974 that the group had decided not to travel to Arlington Cemetery, but instead to leaflet at Malcolm X Park and at the Veterans Administration. Frequent checks at Malcolm X Park on July 2, 1974 by Special Agents of the FBI reflected no activity by members of the Second American Bonus March Coalition. u

On July 2, 1974, the representative of the Veterans Administration advised that on that date at about 8:00 a.m. two individuals who identified themselves as members of the American Veterans Movement (AVM) went to the VA Office, Vermont and I Streets, N.W., D.C. and requested to talk to a press representative. Officials from the VA Information Office met with the two individuals and a meeting was scheduled that date at 2:00 p.m. At the scheduled meeting, BOB KOVICH of AVM and seven other AVM members met with officials of the Department of Veterans Benefits until about 3:30 p.m. The VA representative advised that no incidents occurred during the meeting. u

During the early morning hours of July 2, 1974, a seventh source advised that the VVAW/VSO had centered all the participants on the mall area near 4th Street and that during the night hours the group would be sleeping in shifts and that should the group receive any questions from the Department of Interior or the U.S. Park Police, the group would wake up the other members and keep them moving around the area until U.S. Park Service officials left the area. The seventh source advised that at that time about 300 VVAW/VSO members had registered on the mall area. u

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During the early morning hours of July 2, 1974, the fifth source advised that approximately 371 VVAW/USO members had registered and that a total of about 400-450 persons were with the VVAW/USO group in WDC. The fifth source advised that part of the VVAW/USO group had decided to stay awake all night with activities to cover for any persons who were sleeping. u

On July 2, 1974, representatives of the FBI observed a group of about 150 VVAW/USO members begin a march from the mall area to the Veterans Administration at about 9:30 a.m. The group arrived at the VA, Vermont and E Streets, N.W., shortly after 10:00 a.m. for a rally in front of the VA. While at the VA, VVAW/USO members declared that the Interior Department during the morning hours that date had attempted to use the U.S. Park Police to evict the group at about 7:30 a.m. for violations of the permit issued the group, namely sleeping on the mall area. However, there was no confrontation and the Park Police did not evict any members of the group. Following the rally at VA, the group marched to Lafayette Park about 10:45 a.m. for a short rally, where they concentrated on their theme regarding the impeachment of President NIXON. Shortly after 11:00 a.m. the group began its march back to the mall area. u

At about 2:30 p.m., representatives of the FBI observed a group of about 200-250 VVAW/USO members forming a march line in anticipation of their march to the Court of Military Appeals, 450 E Street, N.W., WDC. The group began arriving at the Court of Military Appeals shortly after 3:00 p.m. where they spoke and chanted for a single-type discharge for all veterans. At approximately 3:30 p.m. the group began to disperse from the area of the Military Court of Appeals and began to march back to the area of the mall. There were no incidents or arrests at the VA, Lafayette Park, or the Court of Military Appeals. u

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During the afternoon hours of July 2, 1974, the fifth source advised that VVAW/WSO had about 500 members and supporters in WDC for the scheduled activities. U

On July 3, 1974, an eighth source advised that at approximately 4:00 a.m. on that date, the group of demonstrators who were at the VVAW/WSO camp site at 4th and the mall were evicted by the U.S. Park Police for violating the terms of the Public Gathering Permit issued the group by the National Park Service. The source stated that all persons, except for about 15 who remained at the site to take care of the property, left the site and went to a Presbyterian church where arrangements had been made previously to sleep if evicted from the camp site. The source stated that the majority of the group planned to return to the VVAW/WSO camp site during the evening hours on July 3, 1974. However, no decision had been made as to what action the group would take if the Park Police evicted them during the early morning hours of July 4, 1974. The source advised that during the early morning hours of July 3, 1974, one of the members of the group was hit by a police car and reportedly his legs were injured. However, the individual returned to the camp site with one leg wrapped and on crutches. According to the source, radical groups were to come into WDC for the final day of demonstrations on July 4, 1974. U

On July 3, 1974, the first representative of the U.S. Capitol Police, WDC, advised that during the early morning hours while members of the group were returning to the camp site from the sleeping quarters at a Presbyterian church a confrontation erupted on Capitol grounds when several members attempted to take over a Capitol Police vehicle. The members caused damage to the vehicle and one of the group was injured by another vehicle arriving at the scene. However, x-rays of the victim revealed broken bones. The representative advised that the incident was utilized by the group to draw attention to their scheduled activities. U

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NEW ORLEANS BY THE  
VVAW/VSQ JULY 1-4, 1974

On July 3, 1974 the first source, advised that the group at the VVAW/VSQ camp site was in possession of a poor attitude and bad morale mainly due to the lack of participants and the fact that the VVAW/VSQ group felt that it has been ignored by the media and the public. The first source also stated that FOR KOMIC from the Americans Veterans Movement was being recognized by the press as the leader of the veterans groups in NO. U

On July 3, 1974 a ninth source advised that approximately 500 persons had registered with the VVAW/VSQ group, and that about 200 of those who registered were females. U

On July 3, 1974, a seventh source advised during the morning hours that the VVAW/VSQ group planned to paint the word amnesty on the Department of Justice during the scheduled rally at Justice, and that this would be accomplished during diversions created by persons blocking Pennsylvania Avenue at that time. The source also stated that members of the IF were attempting to motivate the crowd at the VVAW/VSQ camp site on July 3, 1974. However, there was no indication of what type activity the IF members planned for July 3, 1974 or July 4, 1974. The seventh source further stated that an individual known as "JOHN" claimed that he was hit by a police car on July 3, 1974 and that the individual was walking on crutches. U

During the morning hours of July 3, 1974 the sixth source advised that the Second American Bonus March Coalition was to hold a meeting at their headquarters, 1010 Vermont Avenue, N.W., DC and then hold a press conference at Meridian Hill Park at 3:00 p.m. Following the press conference, the group planned to march to the Arlington Cemetery with a total of about 30 participants. U

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On July 3, 1974, representatives of the WVWV observed a group of about 250-300 persons beginning to form a march line at the WVWV/BC camp site at about 11:30 a.m. Shortly afterward, the group began its march to the U.S. Department of Justice with a police escort arriving at about 12 noon. The group held a rally at the 10th and Pennsylvania entrance to the building for approximately 15 minutes and dispersed the area without incident or arrest. However, several members of the group painted a sign on each side of the entrance to the building which read as follows: "Universal Unconditional Amnesty-WVWV/BC". Upon leaving the area of the Department of Justice, the group marched to the area of the U.S. District Court House, John Marshall Place, N.W. for a short rally. At approximately 12:45 p.m. the group began its march back to the rally area. U

At about 4:30 p.m. the group, after it had formed a march line, began to leave the camp site for the march to the U.S. Capitol. However, a confrontation occurred between the group and the Metropolitan Police Department on 3rd Street and Jefferson, N.W. as the police attempted to prevent the group from disrupting traffic on 3rd Street, N.W. The march was temporarily halted during the confrontation. At about 4:50 p.m., the march resumed and the group reached the west front of the U.S. Capitol shortly before 5:00 p.m. The group of about 250 persons held a short rally on the west front of the Capitol and at about 5:15 p.m. began their march back to the camp site. At about 5:30 p.m. the group had returned to the camp site. U

On July 3, 1974, a representative of the Metropolitan Police Department advised that one member of the group had been arrested, one policeman injured, and two members of the group injured. U

On July 3, 1974, a second representative of the WVWV advised that the Second American Bonus March Coalition held a press conference at Meridian Hill Park at about 2:30 p.m. and that the group had a total of about 20 members present.

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for the registration taking place at that time. Reportedly the group was waiting for more supporters before going to Arlington Cemetery. At about 4:30 p.m. the group still planned to go to Arlington Cemetery; however, they had decided to send a delegation by rental truck instead of by foot. U

On July 3, 1974, a representative of the U.S. Park Police advised that a delegation of 30 persons from the Second American Honor March Coalition went to the Arlington Cemetery on that date shortly after 6:00 p.m. However, there were no incidents or arrests as the group witnessed the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and left the area. U

On July 3, 1974, during the late evening hours, the sixth source advised that the American Veterans Movement had vacated the office located at 1010 Vermont Avenue, N.W., WDC and moved to the location at 2045 15th Street, N.W. in order to be closer to the scheduled activities at Malcolm X Park on July 4, 1974. The source also advised that the scheduled march would not begin until shortly before 2:00 p.m., arriving at Lafayette Park about 3:00 p.m. U

On July 4, 1974, a second representative of the U.S. Park Police advised that none of the members of the VVAW/WSO group camped on the mall area during the late night and early morning hours of 7/3-4/74. The representative advised that during the evening hours of 7/3/74, the VVAW/WSO group was advised that again camping would not be allowed. Consequently, no confrontation took place between the U.S. Park Police and the VVAW/WSO group at the mall. U

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On July 4, 1974, the sixth source also advised that the members of the Second American Bonus March Coalition had decided to remain in Lafayette Park following their scheduled activities. The group planned to hold an all-night vigil until Tuesday, July 9, 1974. u

The second representative of the U.S. Park Police advised that the permit for the Second American Bonus March Coalition expired on July 4, 1974 at 6:00 p.m. and that the group would leave the park area peacefully or be arrested. u

On July 4, 1974, representatives of the FBI observed small groups of individuals gathering in march lines at the area of the mall and 4th Street, N.W. At about 11:30 a.m. a group of about 500 persons began to march from the camp site toward the Lincoln Memorial. The group carried banners and signs which identified the group as members of the VVAW/USO, United Farm Workers, the Revolutionary Union, and the Revolutionary Student Brigade (RSB). This group was joined along the march route by similar groups as well as groups at the Lincoln Memorial. Upon arrival of all groups at the Lincoln Memorial, the size of the crowd was estimated at 1,000 persons. The groups arrived at the Lincoln Memorial at approximately 12:40 p.m. where they remained for a period of about 15-20 minutes prior to beginning their march to the Ellipse. Shortly after 1:00 p.m. the group began to reach the Ellipse where speakers were scheduled to appear. The group announced at the Lincoln Memorial that due to the time element, the speeches at the memorial would be cancelled. u

In addition to the above mentioned groups participating in the march to the Lincoln Memorial, members of the Youth International Party (YIP) were observed in the march. YIP members were scheduled to hold a separate demonstration on the mall area near the National Gallery of Art. However, less than forty YIP members were observed in the area of the mall. u

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Shortly after 1:15 p.m., the majority of the VVAW/WSO group had entered the area of the Ellipse, 15th and Constitution Avenue, N.W. and afterward speeches were given by several speakers. The speeches were designed to cover the various demands of the VVAW/WSO, including amnesty, and impeachment of President NIXON. The speeches continued until about 3:00 p.m. at which time it was indicated by members of the group that the entire group would then march back to the camp site. However, there was no indication of the march until about 3:30 p.m. when the group began to leave the area of the Ellipse. The group in part marched peacefully back to the camp site at 4th Street and the mall arriving at about 4:00 p.m. There was no indication at that time that the VVAW/WSO group planned any additional activities, and, in fact, were packing for departure. U

Frequent checks on the mall area in the vicinity of the National Gallery of Art reflected no activity on the part of the YIP. Some YIP members were observed in the march to the Ellipse; however, sponsored activity on the part of YIP was not observed. U

During the morning hours, small groups of individuals began gathering at Malcolm X Park. At about 12 noon, approximately 50-75 persons had gathered in anticipation of the march by the Second American Bonus March Coalition to Lafayette Park. The size of the crowd grew slowly and at the time of the march at 2:00 p.m. the size of the crowd was about 200 persons. At that time, the march began via 16th Street, N.W. and the group arrived at Lafayette Park shortly after 3:00 p.m. Shortly afterward, a series of speeches began and as the speeches continued, members of the group began to leave the area of the park. At about 4:15 p.m., the size of the crowd in Lafayette Park was about 100 persons, and the speeches continued. Shortly after 4:20 p.m. the speeches ended in Lafayette Park and the size of the group at that time was less than 100 persons. As of 7:30 p.m. all demonstrators had dispersed. No incidents or arrests occurred at Lafayette Park. U

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The WVAW was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest the American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. In April, 1973, the group changed their name to WVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current WVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine. U

The AVM was formed in 1974 as an organization of former WVAW members. AVM is presently headquartered at 24 1/2 Hurricane, Marina Del Rey, California, and reportedly has 35 chapters in the United States. The aims and purposes of the group are to obtain better benefits for veterans, to end bad conditions in Veterans Administration Hospitals, and to obtain the rewriting of laws pertaining to veterans' benefits. U

The Second American Bonus March Coalition was formed in June, 1974, as a coalition of the American Veterans Movement (AVM), the American G.I. Forum, and the National Association for Puerto Rican Civil Rights, for the purpose of demonstrating for better veterans' rights. U

The Revolutionary Union (RU) was founded in early 1968 and is a militant, semiclandestine organization. Its objectives, as set out in its publications, are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working-class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a Communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tse-Tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence. U

The Revolutionary Student Brigade (RSB), formerly known as the Attica Brigade, is a student based organization founded in New York City in the fall of 1971. The RSB considers itself to be an anti-imperialist organization which views "U.S.

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imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world". The NY has significantly infiltrated the RSD and plays a major role in the RSD policies, decisions and activities. u

The Youth International Party, also known as YIPPIES, is a loosely-knit, anti-establishment, violence prone youth organization formed in New York City, in January, 1968. In May, 1972, a small faction calling itself YIP-FIPPLE came into being, but currently does not exist as an organized faction of YIP. u

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-12685)

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)  
INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Bureau airtel dated 7/15/74.

Investigations conducted within the Springfield Division relative to VVAW/WSO Chapters and members have failed to indicate any active VVAW/WSO Chapters within this division. It is noted in VVAW/WSO reports, that Southern Illinois is in the same region as St. Louis. The St. Louis Chapter is in strong opposition with the National Collective in their Marxist-Leninist orientation.

In view of the lack of evidence of VVAW activity within Southern Illinois, this matter is being placed in a closed status.

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DEMONSTRATION AGAINST PRESIDENT NIXON AT IOWA  
CITY, IOWA, AUGUST 10, 1974, SPONSORED BY VIETNAM  
VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO), JOINTLY WITH REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE

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INSTANT DATE, SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE  
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THE VVAW WAS FORMED IN 1967 AS AN ORGANIZATION OF VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE THAT TIME VVAW LEADERS HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THE VVAW IS A REVOLUTIONARY GROUP, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS". ALSO, THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN TOLD THE VVAW HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MAOIST GROUPS. ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS INDICATED THAT "ANTI-IMPERIALIST GROUPS" CONSIDER THE VVAW A POTENT ORGANIZATION OF SIMILAR STATURE IN THE U.S. IN APRIL, 1973, THE GROUP CHANGED THEIR NAME TO VVAW/NSO SO  
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THAT NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW /WSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST -LENNINIST ORIENTED AND STRIVE TO EDUCATE THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST DOCTRINE.

THE RU WAS FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 AND IS A MILITANT, SEMICLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION. ITS OBJECTIVES, AS SET OUT IN ITS PUBLICATIONS, ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING-CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, AND THE FORMATION OF A COMMUNIST PARTY BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 8/2/74

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-71012)

SUBJECT: VVAV/WSO  
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, 10/5/73, and  
San Francisco letter to Bureau, 12/7/73.

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Los Angeles' referenced airtel concerning captioned  
organization's Regional Conference at El Camino, Calif., in 9/73  
advised that among those present was [REDACTED] East Bay - San  
Francisco area, not further identified.

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San Francisco's referenced letter to the Bureau under  
captioned subject, a copy of which was furnished to Los Angeles,  
requested that Los Angeles show photographs of one [REDACTED]  
to [REDACTED] to determine if [REDACTED] was identical with the  
[REDACTED] in Los Angeles' referenced airtel.

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San Francisco is of the opinion that [REDACTED] East Bay,  
is [REDACTED] inasmuch as [REDACTED] has attended Regional  
Conferences in New Mexico and in California, and there are only  
two known individuals in the East Bay VVAV/WSO chapter, namely,  
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Los Angeles is requested to expedite the showing of  
[REDACTED] photograph, which was forwarded to Los Angeles  
with referenced letter dated 12/7/73, so that the [REDACTED] case  
can be brought to a logical conclusion.

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TO: SACS, [REDACTED]

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FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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VIETNAM VETERANS <sup>EX 118</sup> AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974; IS - VVAW/WSO RE NITEL CAPTIONED "VVAW/WSO; IS - VVAW/WSO," DATED AUGUST 2, 1974.

AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO BUFFALO, NEW YORK, TO AFFORD COVERAGE OF CAPTIONED MEETING. ADDITIONALLY, AUTHORITY IS GRANTED TO PAY SOURCE UP TO \$183.27 TO COVER EXPENSES ARISING OUT OF SUCH TRAVEL. INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES. PROMPTLY DEBRIEF SOURCE UPON HIS RETURN AND FURNISH PERTINENT INFORMATION TO THE [REDACTED] OFFICE FOR INCLUSION IN AN OVERALL LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM. PROMPTLY ADVISE [REDACTED] OF MEANS OF CONTACT IN THE EVENT INFORMATION OF AN URGENT NATURE IS DEVELOPED BY INFORMANT.

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The VVAW/WSO is holding an NSCM at [REDACTED] New York, 8/8-12/74, and various important policy matters will be discussed at this meeting and informant coverage is extremely important. This is the first source to attend this meeting and travel and payment for expenses is justified. Source has cooperated with the Bureau since [REDACTED], and is currently paid up to \$375.00 per month for services and up to \$50.00 per month for expenses. The expenses of \$183.27 consist of \$73.27 for round trip air coach fare from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] and back, \$10.00 transportation cost to and from the airports, and \$100.00 for lodging and food at the rate of \$20.00 per day for five days. In the event additional members of VVAW/WSO from [REDACTED] attend this meeting and an automobile is utilized, source will attempt to accompany these individuals in an automobile and, accordingly, transportation costs will be shared.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION  
(VVAW/WSO); IS-VVAW/WSO

RE CG AIRTEL JULY 15, 1974, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE AND PERTAINING  
TO INFORMANT COVERAGE OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
(NSCM) TO BE HELD BUFFALO, N.Y., AUGUST 8-12, 1974.

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[REDACTED] CAN ATTEND NSCM, AUGUST 8-12, 1974, BUFFALO, N.Y.,  
AS DELEGATE OF [REDACTED] REGION OF VVAW/WSO. THIS SOURCE HAS  
HELD MEMBERSHIP IN VVAW/WSO FOR APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND HAS WIDE ACQUAINTANCE AMONG VVAW/WSO MEMBERS ON

[REDACTED] PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM VVAW/WSO MEMBERS ON

[REDACTED] PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM VVAW/WSO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. SOURCE ATTENDED A NSCM AT

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1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

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TO: SACS, [REDACTED] b7D

AUGUST 6, 1974

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974; IS - VVAW/WSO  
[REDACTED] TEL DATE AUGUST 5, 1974, AND [REDACTED] LET CAPTIONED  
"[REDACTED] SM - VVAW/WSO," DATED JULY 18, 1974.

AUTHORITY DENIED TO HAVE [REDACTED] TRAVEL TO AND AFFORD COVERAGE OF CAPTIONED MEETING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE FBI. ANY TRAVEL AND COVERAGE BY SOURCE WOULD BE ON HIS OWN AND PAYMENTS MADE TO HIM WOULD BE ON THE BASIS OF THE VALUE OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED. SUCH PAYMENTS SHOULD BE MADE UNDER CURRENT SAC AUTHORITY.

[REDACTED] ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO REFERENCED BUREAU LETTER WHEREIN INSTRUCTIONS WERE SET FORTH NOT TO GUIDE AND DIRECT THE ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] PENDING RESULTS OF OUTSTANDING INVESTIGATION AND DESIGNATION AS A BUREAU-APPROVED PSI.

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RE: VVAV/WSO NSCM, BUFFALO,  
NEW YORK, AUGUST 8 - 12, 1974

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NOTE:

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[REDACTED] has been selected  
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captioned meeting and authority was requested to have  
source travel and afford coverage with expenses estimated  
at \$160.00 to be paid under SAC authority. Referenced  
Bureau letter held in abeyance designating source as  
a Bureau-approved PSI pending additional investigation  
regarding source, and instructed that his activities not  
be guided or directed. This investigation has not been  
completed and, therefore, denial is necessary. Only one  
other informant has been approved to attend captioned  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

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FROM: SAC, [REDACTED] (P)

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VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO), NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),

BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AUGUST 8-12, 1974, IS. OO: CHICAGO.

b2 [REDACTED] ADVISED THIS DATE HE HAS BEEN SELECTED [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] OF VVAW/WSO, [REDACTED] TO REPRESENT THIS

CHAPTER AT CAPTIONED NSCM. SOURCE VOLUNTEERED TO ATTEND

NSCM AS IT WOULD ADVANCE HIS STANDING IN VVAW/WSO. HOWEVER,

SOURCE DOES NOT HAVE PERSONAL FUNDS TO FINANCE TRIP. BUREAU

AUTHORIZATION REQUESTED TO SEND SOURCE TO NSCM. EXPENSES

WILL BE PAID UNDER SAC AUTHORITY. EXPENSES ESTIMATED AT \$160.

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IN VIEW OF IMMINENT DATE OF MEETING, PROMPT REPLY REQUESTED. //

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REFERENCE: Kansas City report SA **[REDACTED]** 10/3/73  
 Kansas City letter to Bureau 11/7/73.  
 Kansas City letter to Bureau 6/12/74.  
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Cases on VVAW chapters in the following areas in Kansas City Division have been closed due to no organized and little or no activity:

Topeka, Kansas	KC 100-15288
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The Bureau was advised either by teletype or LHM  
of the following VVAW activities:

VVAW march on Washington, 7/1-4/74  
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VVAW demonstration, Kansas City, Missouri,  
5/17-18/74  
KC 100-16283

VVAW demonstration Kansas City 3/29/74  
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LBODC demonstration Leavenworth, Kansas  
2/18/74  
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Title:

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/  
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY

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ON *7/24/95*

Synopsis:

Kansas City VVAW/WSO has not held regular meeting since 6/11/74. Present VVAW/WSO leader *[REDACTED]* working with Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee. VVAW/WSO activity in Kansas City set forth. Source advises no organized VVAW/WSO activity in Kansas City currently.

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## DETAILS:

The following is unclassified except where noted.

Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time VVAW leaders have told members the VVAW is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans."

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Also, the membership has been told the VVAW has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including communist and Maoist groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW a potent organization of similar stature in the U.S. In April 1973, the group changed their name to VVAW/Winter Soldier Organization (WSO) so non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninist oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninist doctrine.

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I. ORIGIN AND SCOPE

b7c The last VVAW meeting held in Kansas City, Missouri, was on June 11, 1974, at 306 W. 39th, Kansas City. [REDACTED] present leader of the Kansas City VVAW, led the meeting and attempted to get individuals interested in making a trip to Washington, D.C., July 1-4, 1974, to participate in demonstrations to be held there.

b2 b7D [REDACTED], June 14, 1974)

There is no organized VVAW/WSO activity in the Kansas City, Missouri, area or the State of Kansas at the present time.

[REDACTED] July 30, 1974)

II. FINANCES

b7c D A Kansas City VVAW/WSO meeting was held October 30, 1973, with [REDACTED] individuals present. During the meeting [REDACTED] furnished a treasurer's report on the finances of the Kansas City chapter which included October 1973:

Receipts

Bumper sales	\$24.00
Dues	12.00
Farina concert	10.00
Paper sales	1.00
	<u>47.25</u>

Disbursements

Bumper stickers	\$128.00
Advertising	55.50
Travel [REDACTED]	30.00
Postage	27.50
Misc. - [REDACTED]	59.02
Amnesty packets	15.00
Office supplies	8.19

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Charge for printed checks	\$ 6.85
Bank service charge	2.24
	<u>332.30</u>

Telephone deposit	130.00
Telephone expense due from regional	8.98
	<u>138.98</u>

Total disbursements	<u>424.03</u>
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Current bank balance	\$39.74
To be deposited	14.00
	<u>\$53.74</u>

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October 31, 1973)

A Kansas City VVAW/WSO meeting was

to [redacted] company amounting to between \$190 and \$240. [redacted] advised the VVAW treasury amounts to \$150. (X)

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May 20, 1974)

The present treasury balance of the Kansas City VVAW/WSO as of July 30, 1974, is \$55.60. (X)

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III. GENERAL ACTIVITIES

The following VVAW/WSO meetings were conducted and meaningful activity described:

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<u>Date of Meeting</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
October 2, 1973	[REDACTED]	October 4, 1973
October 13, 1973	[REDACTED]	October 15, 1973

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A regional caucus was held at 306 W. 39th, Kansas City, Missouri, with approximately [REDACTED] individuals attending from Kansas and Missouri. At this caucus [REDACTED] was relieved as regional coordinator and it was generally agreed that in the future the regional VVAW would be directed by a steering committee rather than one individual serving as coordinator.

October 9, 1973 [REDACTED] October 10, 1973

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A regular meeting of the Kansas City VVAW was conducted at 306 W. 39th, Kansas City, with [REDACTED] individuals present. The meeting consisted of discussion between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] regarding the future activity of the Kansas City VVAW, and the following questions were raised:

With the Vietnam war drawing to a close, what will be the VVAW's new activity?

Why should local VVAW sponsor concerts and so forth if there is no needy cause to be supported?

Should the Kansas City VVAW be obligated to the national VVAW?

Does the Kansas City VVAW wish to continue VVAW meetings on a regular basis?

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October 16, 1973

October 17, 1973

Seven individuals attended the meeting, which centered around a discussion led by [REDACTED] regarding the new proposal for restructuring the Great Plains regional VVAW. [REDACTED] tried to recruit a "communications man" for the region from among those in attendance. [REDACTED] recommended that future heavy jobs be pushed off on individuals from other chapters in the Great Plains region.

[REDACTED] suggested that the VVAW should demonstrate against U.S. involvement in the Middle East war; however, others present agreed that the VVAW should not become involved in the matter at this time.

October 19, 1973

October 23, 1973

October 23, 1973

October 24, 1973

[REDACTED] individuals attended the meeting. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were to organize a high school anti-military project. [REDACTED] mentioned examples of how they have proven to high school students that military recruiting officers are not telling them the truth about military opportunities. [REDACTED] advised films and lectures would be prepared and given to the high school students.

October 30, 1973

October 31, 1973

[REDACTED] individuals attended this meeting including [REDACTED] who told of a visit to the Federal Court House, Kansas City, Kansas, on October 30, 1973, to appear on behalf of a Leavenworth, Kansas, inmate named ALF HILL, who is alleged to be a VVAW member at Leavenworth. HILL was one of the several Federal prisoners brought from Leavenworth, Kansas, to Kansas City, Kansas, to appear at a hearing to answer charges of causing a riot and the killing of a prison guard.

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November 6, 1973

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[redacted] individuals attended this meeting. There was a long discussion on non-violent VVAW actions in which the members in attendance were divided on their beliefs. [redacted] and [redacted] believed a person should demonstrate against anything regardless of size. Other members believed a person should demonstrate only in matters of importance, not revolution for the hell of it.

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November 13, 1973

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[redacted] individuals attended this meeting and it consisted of an informal discussion centered around an appraisal of the National VVAW Steering Committee located in Chicago. The consensus was that the National Office was operated entirely by people who are of Marxist ideology. It was felt these people would attempt to influence VVAW regions and chapters throughout the U.S. toward a Marxist line. However, it was also voiced that the possibility of any appreciable influence was not very great in that other chapters and especially the Kansas City chapter, do not hold a high regard for individuals in the National Office. The group also discussed future VVAW activity to include working more closely with individuals who are confined in Federal prisons, especially the U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas (USPL).

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November 22, 1973

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[redacted] individuals were present at this meeting and [redacted] advised that the VVAW should engage in some sort of amnesty support activity in Kansas City during Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. [redacted] suggested that a group meet at the Plaza at about 6 p.m. for a "silent vigil" and distribution of leaflets on behalf of amnesty. The idea was adopted by the group.

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November 24 and  
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[redacted] VVAW members assembled near the small store between 48th and Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri, on November 24, 1973, and passed out leaflets which dealt with amnesty. It was estimated that the group passed out approximately 6,000 leaflets regarding amnesty and the activity was peaceful in nature and silent.

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There were [redacted] individuals present at the VVAW meeting November 27, 1973, and the basic topic of discussion pertained to VVAW future plans for a place to hold meetings. An individual named [redacted] secretary of the Gay Liberation Movement, was present and he discussed the possibility of the Gay Lib and VVAW getting together to rent a place. No action was taken on this proposal. It was implied that the Gay Lib people wanted to go in with the VVAW because they are continually harrassed by individuals and they feel that the VVAW would mean some protection for them.

December 4, 1973

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December 5, 1973

December 4, 1973

December 12, 1973

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[redacted] individuals were present at this meeting, and the first thing discussed was a VVAW trip to Cairo, Illinois, which will take place as soon as possible in January 1974. It was voted at this time that the main office of the VVAW at 306 W. 39th Street be moved to 5425 Charlotte, Kansas City, Missouri, and no regular meetings will be held in the future.

January 11, 1974

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[redacted] individuals met again at 306 W. 39th Street and the objective of the meeting was to re-establish the Kansas City VVAW since it supposedly terminated December 1, 1973. [redacted] explained that there should continue to be a VVAW chapter in Kansas City and should continue having regular meeting as their can not be any type of movement unless people get together on a regular basis.

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January 22, 1974

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[redacted] individuals met at 306 W. 39th, including two out-of-state individuals named [redacted] and [redacted], who arrived in Kansas City in order to organize a defense committee for defendants who were charged in a riot at the USPL about July 31, 1973.

January 26, 1974

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January 28, 1974

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[redacted] individuals attended the VVAW caucus at 306 W. 39th Street in order to discuss restructuring of the regional VVAW. It was determined that an attempt would be made to form a regional collective and the collective will meet once a month in various cities over the region and will be composed of key representatives from each VVAW chapter. The Kansas City collective will be composed of [redacted] and [redacted].

February 12, 1974

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Seven individuals attended this meeting to discuss forthcoming plans for a caravan from Lawrence, Kansas, to Leavenworth, Kansas, accompanied by a demonstration at the USPL February 18, 1974. This demonstration will be in conjunction with a new organization recently formed in Kansas City known as the Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee (LBODC). [redacted] advised the demonstration may have to be conducted without the assistance of [redacted] whom they thought would be present.

LBODC was formed by VVAW and other subversive organizations at Kansas City, Missouri, in support of and to raise money for defense of inmates at USPL, participating in the riot at USPL July 31, 1973.

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February 16, 1974 [REDACTED]

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February 16, 1974

VVAW members met at 306 W. 39th and discussed what was to take place at the demonstration at USPL. They discussed the possibility of the participants going as far as the steps of the USP. It was felt at this time that [REDACTED] would participate in this demonstration.

March 5, 1974 [REDACTED]

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March 6, 1974

[REDACTED] individuals met at 306 W. 39th and [REDACTED] led the discussion at the meeting. [REDACTED] advised the VVAW will assist LBODC in raising \$5,000 within a six-week period in order to get big name defense attorneys for the Leavenworth defendants. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were assigned to write BETTE SEIGER, JOAN BAEZ and an individual named "Muddy Waters" regarding future concerts.

March 12, 1974 [REDACTED]

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March 13, 1974

[REDACTED] individuals attended a regular weekly VVAW meeting and [REDACTED] advised that LBODC is in desperate need of money. She said that LBODC is attempting to bring HOWARD MOORE, an attorney from the west coast, to Leavenworth for a fee of \$150 per day. [REDACTED] advised plans are to conduct a VVAW action on March 29, 1974, at Kansas City which will consist of a march and rally. [REDACTED] is to obtain permits from the City of Kansas City.

March 23, 1974 [REDACTED]

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March 24, 1974

A combination VVAW/LBODC meeting was held with seven individuals present, and future activities were discussed. Final plans for the activities on March 29, 1974, were formulated. [REDACTED] announced there would be a political prisoners symposium April 20, 1974, to take place at the University of Missouri at Kansas City sponsored by the Black Student Union, and he urged VVAW members to attend.

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March 26, 1974

March 27, 1974

April 2, 1974

April 3, 1974

b7D [redacted] individuals were present at the meeting and the regional caucus to be held at Emporia, Kansas, Saturday, April 6, 1974, was discussed. The group agreed that individuals to be selected to represent the Great Plains region for the forthcoming National VVAW Steering Committee meeting at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 11-15, 1974, would be selected.

During this discussion the group mentioned the possibility of VVAW ceasing to exist in Kansas City as well as the Great Plains region. It seemed to be the consensus of the group that VVAW has fallen apart and leadership seems to be divided with rank and file members losing interest.

April 6, 1974

April 6, 1974

b7D [redacted] individuals attended VVAW/WSO regional conference at Emporia, Kansas. The first topic was the regional office and what is going to be done with it. After much discussion it appeared no representative from another location in the region desired the responsibilities of regional office work. It was the decision of the group to let it ride for another 30 days or so until following the National Steering Committee meeting at Milwaukee.

April 9, 1974

April 10, 1974

Seven individuals attended the meeting who discussed a proposal regarding the National Office at the National Steering Committee. The proposal would be to change the structure of the National Office as it does not represent all of the VVAW members.

April 30, 1974

May 1, 1974

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b7D [redacted] individuals were in attendance at a regular VVAW meeting at 306 W. 39th. and [redacted] chapter leader, explained the forthcoming march on Washington to take place July 1-4, 1974. [redacted] advised that they would be attending the demonstration at Washington and march

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near the Lincoln Memorial, and they would demonstrate in front of the White House, the Justice building, Capitol building and the Veterans Administration building.

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b7D [redacted] also advised of a second demonstration to take place in Kansas City, Missouri, May 17-18, 1974. This demonstration is to call the public's attention to the larger demonstration in Washington which he described earlier.

May 7, 1974

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b7D [redacted] May 8, 1974

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b7D [redacted] individuals attended this regular meeting and [redacted] advised the VVAW will be evicted from their basement office at 306 W. 39th June 1, 1974, and no new location had been found.

May 14, 1974

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b7D [redacted] May 15, 1974

b7D [redacted] individuals attended this meeting and the two demonstrations were discussed which were mentioned at previous meetings. Activity at the Federal building, Kansas City, Missouri, May 17 and 18, 1974, would possibly include a guerrilla theater and leafleting with approximately eight individuals to participate.

May 17, 1974

[redacted] May 20, 1974

June 11, 1974

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b7D [redacted] June 14, 1974

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b7C [redacted] individuals attended this meeting at 306 W. 39th Street. [redacted] explained that he and [redacted] would be the only ones from Kansas City to make the trip to Washington, D.C.

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SUBJECT: JOHN BRIGGS, et al. v.  
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(U.S.D.C., D. C.)  
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Re Bureau airtel to [REDACTED] and New Orleans dated [REDACTED].

Enclosed for the Bureau are two xerox copies of each of the following described items revealing contacts with [REDACTED]

1. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] excluding [REDACTED] which is a [REDACTED] dated [REDACTED]

2. 15 FD-302's revealing interviews with [REDACTED] dated [REDACTED] through [REDACTED]

3. Copies of the following serials from [REDACTED] showing contacts with [REDACTED] since [REDACTED]

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[redacted] airtel to Bureau dated [redacted] which included [redacted] of FD-302 interview [redacted], as well as xerox copy of letter described as [redacted]

(Memorandum to SAC [redacted] from SA [redacted] dated [redacted] [redacted] submitted to [redacted] by [redacted] rendered.)

4. [redacted] teletype to Bureau dated [redacted] captioned WASH: IS-RA, Bureau file 100-448072, revealing [redacted] contact on [redacted] and [redacted] during which [redacted]


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This information is basically the same as appears [redacted] A mentioned above. [redacted]



5. Memorandum to SAC, [redacted] of SA [redacted] dated [redacted], captioned WASH: IS [redacted] revealing that instructions previously [redacted] regarding contacts with [redacted] have been [redacted]

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Extra copies of the above material being furnished to the Bureau in the event the Bureau desires to make this material available to Departmental attorneys.

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The above information is all that is known to have been furnished to , however, all satellite files concerning the Gainesville 8 trial and VVAW are currently being reviewed to make positively certain any information  was not inadvertently included in his informant file.